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Exton elected by JNF

MONTREAL —

The Jewish National Fund of Canada faces a "challenging year of growth and development, given current dynamics of the economy," according to Eric Exton, newly elected national president. He was elected president at the annual meeting held in Winnipeg last month.

The Toronto businessman said that, while JNF has successfully met its fund raising mandate of the past, "further flexibility, participation and involvement will be crucial to extend the work of JNF."

Exton, former national vice-president of the Jewish National Fund of Canada and former president of JNF of Toronto, is well known for his extensive community involvement for which he has received many honors. He and his wife Esther, were the honorees at the 1978 Toronto Negev dinner.

Exton has served as president of the Canadian Friends of Boys Town Jerusalem, and is currently chairman of the board of Boys Town. He is chairman of the board of Baycrest Centre for Geriatric Care in Toronto. He has a long association with B'nai B'rith, and other communal organizations.

Eric Exton

[Howard Kay photo].

David Botwinik [left] and his son Leybl, 21, look over proofs of the next issue of their home-made Yiddish magazine Der Nayer Dor.

They keep Yiddish alive

By DEBBIE LIGHTSTONE

MONTREAL —

When members of the Botwinik family of Cote St. Luc come home from work or school, they rarely cluster around the TV set. As often as not they head downstairs to a basement cubicle adorned with Hebrew and Yiddish posters, Israeli flags and maps, and get to work at a desk piled with a typewriter, stacks of paper and jars of pens, rulers and paper clips.

What draws parents and children to spend countless evenings and weekends in their miniature office is a shared love of Yiddish. That cubicle is the headquarters of a unique family magazine called "Der Nayer Dor" (The New Generation) which the Botwiniks hope will help revive a language many Jews today dismiss as dead or dying.

The father of the family, David Botwinik, speaks passionately of the philosophy behind Der Nayer Dor.

"Yiddish is a living language that should continue to be part of Jewish family life. It is a treasure trove that can connect the generations," he says.

The third issue, just released, boasts a bright blue, green and yellow cover showing people scaling a mountain, and proclaims in Yiddish the publication's credo: "Do Not Tire To Climb the Mountain of Yiddish Culture."

The magazine is put out entirely by family members; from start to finish it takes them about four months. They compose all the contents, snap the photos, design the artwork, type the articles on a Yiddish typewriter at the Jewish Public Library, lay out the pages, proofread them, and pay the considerable printing costs out of their own pockets (the money comes out of the family's vacation budget).

The journal is sold for $1.50 by family members at Jewish community events.

The language of Der Nayer Dor may date back a few centuries, but its contents are certainly contemporary. The latest issue features an ongoing science fiction saga about the voyage of an Israeli rocket ship in space, written by 21-year-old Leybl; there's an item on chemistry by 16-year-old Sender and a math segment by 14-year-old Yankl.

There is also a sports article, a horror story, a satire, a humorous piece about a prehistoric bar mitzvah, a song with music, a crossword puzzle, a tongue-twister, comics and much more.

The family love affair with Yiddish began with the elder Botwinik, who grew up in Vilna, Poland at a time when life was lived in Yiddish.

"Yiddish banks accepted Yiddish checks, Yiddish theatre flourished, there were Yiddish soccer games and Yiddish engineering," he recalls with nostalgia.

"But nowadays," laments the music teacher at the United Talmud Torah schools, "Yiddish is dying through neglect."

Botwinik brought his Yiddish heritage with him to Canada in 1956, and transmitted it to his four children, all of whom are multilingual.

In a province where bilingualism is a bone of contention, the children are extraordinarily casual about their ability to speak five tongues: Italian (their mother comes from an Italian Sephardic family), Yiddish, English, French and Hebrew.

Yiddish, however, is the primary language spoken at home.

Leybl, a computer science student at Concordia University, admits it's not always easy to promote Yiddish, especially among his peers.

"Older people are usually supportive, but some of my friends are embarrassed when I talk Yiddish to them. I get the feeling they're wondering when I'll come to my senses and settle down with computer science," he grins.

"I have Italian, Chinese and Japanese friends who speak their own languages, so why not speak Yiddish if you're Jewish?" he asks.

UJA walkathon plans now being finalized

TORONTO —

Where, in just one day, can you get to meet Miss Canada, Al (King of Kensington) Waxman, Blizzard cheerleaders, the Coca-Cola robot, Mr. Peanut, leading politicians representing all three levels of government and many other public figures?

At the checkpoints of the United Jewish Appeal walkathon, that's where!

As plans for the walk on Sunday, May 25 are being finalized by the committee headed by Verne Chelin and Jerry Panet, the list of checkpoint surprises keeps growing.

The 25-kilometre walk, which begins at 7.30 a.m. from Earl Bales Park (Bathurst and Sheppard), has 11 checkpoints, each of which will be manned by B'nai B'rith lodge members, who by now have become UJA walkathon veterans. Guests will visit the various checkpoints to cheer on the walkers.

An additional feature will be a 12-and 25-kilometre run from the Jewish Community Centre. The participants will be timed and the winner in each race will be presented with a trophy by the Canadian Maccabiah Association.

Other extras include Blue Jay calendars, which will be handed out to young participants, free drinks and fresh fruit. Two checkpoints, Rosehill Reservoir and Sir Winston Churchill Park, have been designated kosher lunch stops where sandwiches made by Lubavitchers will be sold.

All proceeds from the 1980 walkathon will go toward the construction of a sports complex in Mazkeret Batya, Israel, which will provide a first-rate training centre for Israel's future athletes.

To encourage early collection of sponsor money, the committee will again feature an "early bird" draw on Monday, June 9. Prizes for early turn in of money include portable TV sets, gift certificates, records and other gifts donated by local merchants. Sponsor booklets list locations where money may be brought in.

Walkers may sign in at the first checkpoint from 7.30 a.m. until 9.30 a.m.

As of last weekend . . .

Autonomy talks stall second time in a week

[Compiled by JTA]

At the weekend, the on-again-off-again autonomy talks on the Palestinians were suspended by Anwar Sadat for the second time in one week.

The Egyptian president announced last week that he had changed his mind and would not respond positively to President Jimmy Carter's call to resume the talks. Deadline for completing them is May 26.

Egypt's foreign ministry issued a statement that Israel must review its settlements policy if it wants the talks to start again.

In Jerusalem, the Begin government took two steps to consolidate its hold on the occupied territories. It drafted a law to make Jerusalem its united capital (Israel annexed East Jerusalem after the Six Day War), and disclosed plans to set up 29 more settlements on the West Bank by October of 1983.

Egypt's Minister of State for Foreign Affairs, Butros Ghali, told a news conference in Cairo "that the Israelis do not have the will to find a settlement (to the Palestinian question). He would not say under what conditions his country would resume the discussions, bogged-down on a number of key issues.

Earlier, outgoing Prime Minister Mustafa Khalil spoke of "lack of progress" in the negotiations, and Sadat referred to a "formidable gap" that exists between the positions of Israel and Egypt.

Israel's chief negotiator, Interior Minister Yosef Burg, said he thought Sadat had made a mistake from Egypt's point of view.

According to Burg, Israel and the U.S. had been prepared to make a major effort to achieve substantial progress by May 26 and therefore the blame for halting the talks would fall squarely on Egypt. "Free opinion" in the West will not be impressed by Sadat's decision, Burg said.

He agreed, however, that with the ministerial level talks called off, there was no point to continue on the working committee level because the participants could not refer back to their ministers for guidance.

Burg and other Israeli sources saw Sadat's move as an attempt to apply pressure on Israel and the U.S. to accept Egypt's positions on autonomy.

Ted Greenfield to be installed as B'nai B'rith's new president

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL —

Members of B'nai B'rith District 22 will install Montrealer Ted Greenfield as new president at the organization's annual convention taking place at the Nevele Hotel in the Catskills June 1-4.

Chartered accountant, jazz lover and fine food connoisseur, 47-year-old Greenfield will succeed Lou Ronson of Toronto as the head of the district which stretches from Windsor, Ont., to St. John's and has approximately 20,000 member families. The term is one year.

Although he believes B'nai B'rith's goal of helping others and forging links between people of all faiths remains just as relevant today as it was when the international organization was founded more that 140 years ago, Greenfield is not reluctant to admit changes are needed in approach if that goal is to continue to interest new members.

"Everyone has had to come up with new marketing concepts, and B'nai B'rith is not different," said Greenfield in an interview with The CJN. "The question facing B'nai B'rith is not 'should we change our basic purpose!' but 'how do we present it in the 80s?' People have less time--should there be fewer meetings and socials? How can B'nai B'rith stay fresh and up-to-date?"

One way is to give the people what they want, says Greenfield. Be it sports, singles activities or association with others in the same profession, there is no reason chapters or lodges cannot be formed to meet these demands.

"What does it matter what brings people together...I've known guys who have joined B'nai B'rith for bowling, that's it. Then a few years later they are involved with the Passover basket program or something else. B'nai B'rith must continually try to find ways of striking the balance between satisfying membership and at the same time serving the community."

District 22 saw its membership dip to its lowest point three years ago, but since then has incresced slightly each year, a trend Greenfield is confident will continue. To make sure it does, B'nai B'rith engaged in Montreal another assistant to the executive vice-president, Mel Niederhoffer, with the specific duty of overseeing membership.

The attraction of the young is of course high on Greenfield's priorities,as is strengthening contacts with smaller communities. The old system of strictly dividing the organization along the lines of sex, with women forming chapters and men lodges is outmoded, and, in the small communities, impractical, Greenfield says.

What we will be seeing more of in the future are co-ed units, for singles and/or married couples, as part of the B'nai B'rith structure. Greenfield is especially keen on providing programming that will involve the entire family.

"Once a member sees the results of his service, for example, as with the delivery of Passover baskets to the homes of the needy, you never have to sell him again on the organization. The 'glue' that cements the members is doing something meaningful."

Another target area is Western Canada, which is still attached to the United States B'nai B'rith. The roughly 3,000 member families in the West are now receiving mail and programming materials from District 22 and negotiations are continuing to set up the legal framework for those provinces' incorporation with the rest of Canada.

Ted Greenfield

Greenfield, a senior partner with the accountancy firm of Craimer-L'Ecuyer Associes, was introduced to B'nai B'rith in 1947 when he joined Aleph Zadek Aleph, the boys' division of the B'nai B'rith Youth Organization. Eleven years later he joined Maple Leaf Lodge, moving up the ranks to lodge president.

He has also been BBYO president, a member of the international BBYO commission since 1977, and a vice-chairman of that body for two years. A specialist in personnel mamagement in his professional life, Greenfield is personnel chairman of District 22 and of international BBYO.

"What motivates me is people; I like them," he explained.

He and wife Betty have two sons, Michael, 21, a chef, and Lenny, 17, current president of the Laurentian region of BBYO.

Under his presidency, B'nai B'rith will "try again" to patch relations with Canadian Jewish Congress, Quebec region, in guarding against defamation of the Jewish community.

Greenfield said B'nai B'rith is willing to enter into association with any organization interested in the welfare of the community "but only as equal partners." B'nai B'rith has been a partner in the Canada-Israel Committee and the Joint Community Relations Committee on the national level for several years.

Canadians help prepare for Maccabiah Games

By MURRAY MALKIN

The 11th Maccabiah Games in Israel are less than 14 months away, and the international committee is starting to gear up for the event.

A group of four men from Canada -- Sidney Greenberg, of Toronto, and president of the Canadian Maccabiah Games Association H.S. "Bud" Weiser, Fred Oberlander and Nicki Lang, all of Montreal--have just returned from the 1980 International Maccabiah Games Committee and Maccabi World Union meetings held in Israel. They told The CJN that "things are really starting to cook" and that excitement for the games is building.

In a report filed by Lang it's noted that "the organizing committee in Israel seems to be well along the way to producing the best organized games ever."

Lang and Greenberg both agreed that one of the main items of concern lurking over the games is the "unbelievable rate of inflation in Israel." Greenberg said: "Last year we were estimating the cost per athlete while in Israel would be about $600. Now the cost has gone up to $700 U.S. and it's quite possible that by the time the games roll around, that figure could be $800." Greenberg was excited about a number of innovations for the 81 games. "For the first time," he said, "athletes from the same sport will be housed together, that way, they get the same accommodation and same food.

"But, Greenberg continued, "the main reason for the new set-up is to allow the athletes to meet other Jewish kids from around the world. In the past, all they would meet were athletes from their own country. Now, they will be able to communicate widely through sport."

Greenberg, who serves as the international chairman of publicity for the games, said there were meetings for a solid week. "We began at eight in the morning and didn't finish until 11.30 at night. But the publicity is going to be fantastic and the Israelis are really excited."

In addition to the meeting, one of the highlights for the Canadians in Israel was the offical opening of two squash courts at the Maccabiah Village. The Canadian Maccabiah Games Association donated $30,000 toward the facility, which Lang said, "will provide a catalyst for the growth of squash in Israel."

U.S. PLEDGE ON OIL COULD CAUSE STRAINED RELATIONS WITH ISRAELI GOVERNMENT

By WOLF BLITZER

WASHINGTON —

It was no accident that President Jimmy Carter raised the very delicate matter of the U.S. commitment to help Israel meet its imported oil requirements when he delivered a lengthy toast honoring visiting Prime Minister Menachem Begin at a White House dinner in April.

Noting how both Israel and Egypt were "meticulously" honoring their peace treaty undertakings, Carter referred to the great sacrifice Israel accepted when it agreed to withdraw from the Sinai oilfields.

"Israel has already withdrawn from more than two-thirds of the Sinai," he said. "And in a time when oil is particularly precious (Israel) has relinquished oil wells that were on acknowledged Egyptian territory, but were developed by, discovered by Israel."

The President then turned to the U.S. commitment. "We have guaranteed Israel to meet their needs for oil in the future if their supply should be interrupted, and, of course, our country will carry out this commitment meticulously as well."

Carter's remarks were especially significant in light of Israel's apparent readiness to formally seek U.S. assistance in meeting its oil needs at some point in the near future. U.S. officials have not concealed their desire to see Israel postpone any such action for as long as possible.

The entire issue could become the focal point for another one of those periodic strains in U.S.-Israeli relations with the start of high-level talks in Israel between U.S. and Israeli energy experts on the exact nature of the U.S. commitment.

Those discussions were scheduled to begin on May 4 but were postponed because the State Department wanted to brief the incoming Secretary of State Edmund Muskie on the exact details of the oil agreement. A new date is expected to be announced shortly.

According to reliable sources, Israel and the United States remain far apart on a most fundamental element of the American undertaking — a fact which could lead to some fireworks once those discussions actually begin.

All this comes at a time when the United States is anxiously trying to wrap up the Palestinian autonomy between Israel and Egypt, further complicating the atmosphere in U.S.-Israeli ties.

The technical discussions in Israel were proposed on March 28 following Israeli Energy Minister Yitzhak Moda'i's talks here in Washington with then-Secretary of State Cyrus Vance, Energy Secretary Charles Duncan and other senior U.S. officials. At that time, the State Department announced that Israeli and U.S. oil experts will meet in Israel "to specify the conditions under which the agreement would be implemented."

In that communique, the United States also "reaffirmed its commitment to the U.S.-Israel Memorandum of Agreement of June 22, 1979."

That memorandum said: "Israel will make its own independent arrangements for oil supply to meet its requirements through normal proceedings." But upon notification by Israel of its inability "to secure its needs in this way," the U.S. government would offer various forms of help for 15 years following the return of the Sinai oilfields, or until Nov. 25, 1994.

The dispute currently at issue between Washington and Jerusalem involves the timing of Israel's formal notification seeking American assistance.

Specifically, U.S. and Israeli experts will have to come up with an appropriate definition of the phrase "through normal procedures."

The U.S. believes that Israel is meeting its oil requirements "through normal procedures" by purchasing oil from various international sources such as Egypt, Mexico and the spot market in Rotterdam. The Americans argue that so long as Israel can purchase enough oil from any of these sources, the memorandum should not be triggered.

Israeli officials, on the other hand, contend that the large purchases from the spot market, where prices are higher than the going OPEC price, cannot be considered normal. They suggest that Israel is justified in pressing for the implementation of the U.S. commitment because the spot market is not reliable. Many promised deliveries never reach Israel.

U.S. officials counter by insisting that the oil agreement was written to provide assistance only if Israel could not purchase enough oil on the international market. "There's plenty of oil available today," a U.S. source said.

The Americans refer to Carter's carefully-phrased remarks during the White House toast honoring Begin. "We have guaranteed Israel to meet their needs for oil in the future if their supply should be interrupted . . ." Since there's currently an excess amount of oil available on the world market, and Israel's oil supply has not been interrupted, the memorandum should remain dormant, it is believed.

U.S. officials note that the current spot price has gone down recently to about $35 a barrel, just slightly more than Israel has been paying Mexico and Egypt.

Purchasing U.S. oil would save Israel some money since the agree-

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World News

West Bankers stage hunger strike for recognition

By MARCIA KRETZMER

JERUSALEM —

Across the street from the Knesset in Jerusalem, a tent city has sprung up, temporary home to representatives of the West Bank and Gaza settlements, now several weeks into a hunger strike to pressure the government into granting legal status to the settlements.

While groups of visiting school children from regional schools on the West Bank, wending their way round tents gay with flags and bunting, impart a holiday camp atmosphere, the organizers are in deadly earnest. Their stated intention is to fast until they collapse, in an effort to ensure continuity of Jewish settlement in historic Eretz Israel, and to prevent, by their presence, the rise of a PLO state in the areas to be granted autonomy.

The strikers have received no response from the government, whose settlement policies are increasingly denounced abroad, and which is anyway undermined by threats of defection by its coalition members at home.

Furthermore, the National Religious Party, original patron of Gush Emunim, has been lukewarm to this latest move. However, far from seeing the writing on the wall, as far as the settlements are concerned, the strikers remain stoutly convinced that their cause will win through.

The Canadian Jewish News visited the site, and spoke to three of the strikers: **Rachel Klein,** an English-born social worker, who settled in Kiryat Arba with her husband and two daughters five years ago; **Reuven Rosenblatt,** regional council head of the Gaza Strip settlements, who lives in Moshav Catif with his wife and family of six, and **Pinchas Wallerstein,** married with four children, a regional council head from the five-year old settlement of Ofra. At the time of writing, Pinchas was approaching the 40th day of his fast.

CJN: First of all, how are you feeling?

Pinchas: Better than I expect to feel next week, worse than last week.

CJN: How are you existing?

Pinchas: We drink two glasses of fresh juice a day, and as much tea, coffee or water as we want. A doctor examines us twice a day.

CJN: What do you believe a hunger strike can accomplish?

Pinchas: We want to awaken the public to the fact that once the autonomy arrangements are in force, all our settlements will have to come down if there is no law granting them civilian status. They were originally set up within the framework of security arrangements, and with the start of autonomy, and the withdrawal of the Israeli military presence, those reasons will no longer apply. Any Arab may then go to the Supreme Court and win a case against the continued existence of the settlements. The paradox is that we actually represent the real government line: against a Palestinian state in Judea and Samaria.

CJN: So you see yourselves not only as protecting the right of Jewish settlement, but also in the front line of oppositioon to a Palestinian state.

Pinchas: Absolutely! a Palestinian state will of necessity destroy Israel. If we withdraw to the Green Line, as former Premier Rabin said, a couple of Arab divisions could cut the country in two, west of Samaria. Bear in mind that there are 400,000 Arabs in Samaria and 210,000 Israeli Arabs in the adjacent territory. It is essential that we control the area.

If we do not settle 100,000 Jews in Judea and Samaria with all possible speed, we will be no more than an army of conquest in an independent country, and there will be a Palestinian state.

[Carol Gootter photo]

Rachel Klein, a hunger striker, sits opposite the Knesset in Jerusalem.

CJN: There are many army and defense people who do not appear to share your view. Defence Minister Weizman, for example, who is the only cabinet minister not to have visited you and your friends.

Pinchas: Weizman is a playboy — in every sense of the word. At the moment he believes the public wants Peace Now, so he is giving them just that.

CJN: But public and government support for Gush Emunim seems to have shrunk. The poster for your Independence Day march around Jerusalem, proclaimed: "Even so, and in spite of everything, we love you Eretz Israel." One detects a note of exhaustion. Do you feel you have reached the end of the road?

Pinchas: When we started our strike, there was some desperation and depression. But the march was a terrific success and drew 60,000 people. Now we feel the public is waking up. Morale here is incredible. I'm convinced we'll win.

Reuven: The situation of our five settlements in the Gaza Strip is rather different from that in Judea and Samaria. My own settlement, Catif, grows tomatoes and flowers for export. Our relations with the neighboring Arabs are good. We share equipment, invite each other to celebrations.

CJN: So you are hopeful?

Reuven: Very hopeful. The Jewish people can survive these temporary pressures. If the Israeli interpretation of autonomy prevails, the Arabs will have independence in their daily lives, but the territories will remain part of Israel. The Gaza Arabs are doing well at the moment, making money, building homes. Except for the extremists, most are prepared to adapt themselves to the situation.

CJN: Suppose the Arab interpretation prevails.

Reuven: That will mean not only the end of the settlements, but the end of Tel Aviv.

Rachel: The only answer is for the government to open up land for Jewish settlement on a large scale.

CJN: But the Israeli public has simply not responded to your call. Gush Emunim spoke of a million Jews in the territories. By your own estimate, you have barely 15,000.

Rachel: If there were more land, more would come. Take Ariel for example. It was supposed to have 6,000 dunams, but the government cut it down to 1,000 dunams. How could the 800 families who wanted to come, manage with so little? I believe 100,000 would come, especially Russian Jews, and Americans who have just found their Judaism. There is a list of families who want to live in the city of Hebron as well, and our name is among them.

CJN: How concerned are you for your personal safety in such a hostile city?

Rachel: We have normal relations with the Arabs. We speak to them, trade with them. We don't go around being frightened of them. After all, if you expect friction, you're going to get it, aren't you? Hebron is a Jewish city from the time of Abraham, and there are many Arabs who understand that we want to return.

CJN: People who are concerned about the chronic housing problem in Israel claim far too much money has gone into housing the settlers as it is, especially when many settlers own apartments elsewhere in Israel.

Rachel: First of all, this is not so. I have nowhere else to go but Kiryat Arba. I'm a social worker. I know what it means to have housing problems. But to use this as a ploy against us is a wicked misuse of people's problems.

CJN: Suppose, in spite of your efforts, authority on the West Bank passes to the Arabs. What will life be like in Kiryat Arba then?

Rachel: If that happens, what we've seen in Lebanon will be nothing compared to what we'll see here. I don't believe we can make agreements with the Arabs. We can live peacefully with them, they don't have to feel downtrodden — just as long as they understand that we rule, that we are the sovereign authority. If they don't, we have to fight them.

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Israeli, Egyptian envoys at academic forum clash over crucial differences on autonomy

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

TORONTO —

Clashing conceptual views on the nature of peace in the Middle East were brought to an academic forum here last week by Israel's ambassador to Canada and Egypt's former envoy to the Arab League.

The sharp differences of opinion expressed by Yeshayahu Anug and Tahsheen Bashir mirrored the conflicts that have repeatedly arisen between Israel and Egypt in the autonomy talks on the Palestinians.

Anug and Bashir disagreed on the meaning of autonomy, settlements, security and a few other related issues that go to the heart of the Arab-Israeli dispute.

They spoke at the annual conference of Canadian Professors for Peace in the Middle East and Canadian Academic Foundation for Peace in the Middle East, held at the Bond Place Hotel. As part of the ground rules, they were not permitted to engage each other in debate.

Anug, Israel's representative on the podium, put forward the official Israeli view. He said the West Bank and Gaza Strip were of defensive importance to his country. Anug admitted that the present government in Jerusalem assigned considerable importance to the historical argument as a justification for keeping the West Bank of Gaza Strip in its possession.

The ambassador said Israel would continue to regard these territories as vital as long as its eastern Arab neighbors displayed an attitude of rejection toward the Jewish state.

Bashir, currently teaching international relations at Harvard, berated Israel for not having come to terms with the fact that the Palestinians also have a religious and historical claim to what he termed Eretz Yisrael.

He said perpetual Israeli control of the West Bank andGaza Strip could only be self-defeating, given the dynamics of demographics. Bashir predicted that the Israeli-Palestinian struggle would escalate as Israel's occupation grew longer.

Anug called Israel's interpretation of autonomy a "very practical solution." Never before in their history had the Palestinians been offered self-rule, he pointed out.

Yet the Palestinians rejected autonomy, and their fascination with "unrealistic utopian solutions" underlined the tragedy that they were their own worst enemies, Anug remarked.

He said he doubted whether settlements were a serious obstacle to the attainment of Palestinian autonomy.

Bashir said Israel hasn't offered any genuine solutions to solve the Palestinian problem, and he described as "ridiculous" Israel's version of autonomy. Bashir called on Israel to grant full autonomy to the Palestinians. He criticized Israelis for perceiving Palestinians as satans, and noted that the Palestinians would become even more insecure as Israel became stronger.

The Egyptian said settlements were contrary to international law and morality.

Anug said the Camp David accords laid the foundation for a comprehensive agreement, but they were being "undermined, discredited and sabotaged" by Arab states. Even Western European nations, he added, were "outspokenly hesitant" about the agreements.

Anug attacked Saudi Arabia and "moderate" Arab regimes for declining to join the Camp David process, expressed doubt as to whether the PLO would accept a West Bank-Gaza Strip Palestinian state, and voiced fear that Egyptian and Israeli goodwill might not be enough to break down Palestinian resistance to autonomy as it is presently constituted.

Bashir said Egypt would not allow the peace process to die, but he warned that normalization between Israel and Egypt would be retarded if Israel failed to adopt policies leading to Palestinian self-determination.

He said the goal of Egyptian diplomacy was to change the policies of Israel and the PLO.

Earlier in his address, Bashir said that for 30 years Arabs had practiced self-deception and self-delusion vis-a-vis Israel. It took many hardships, defeats and some victories for the Arabs to realize that Israel exists.

And now, he went on, Israel was ignoring the Palestinians in much the same way as Arabs had ignored Israel for so long.

With the exception of Libya, all Arab states implicitly recognize Israel's existence, the former diplomat said, citing Arab summit conferences at Rabat and Algiers to buttress his contention.

Anug took issue with Bashir's assertion, thereby underscoring the gap in Israeli and Egyptian perceptions.

Productivity of workers said approaching levels of European counterparts

TEL AVIV [ZINS] —

The productivity of the Israeli worker is still significantly lower than that of his counterpart in the United States and in a number of Western European countries. However, the Israeli worker is rapidly approaching the productivity level found in England and in Italy.

The economic correspondent of the Hebrew morning daily, Ha'aretz, presented the following specifics: the value of production by a worker in West Germany which was $7,170 in the year 1970 has now risen in the year 1979 to $25,710. The production output of a French laborer in the year 1970 was $7,150; it has now risen to $22,310 as of 1978. For the U.S. the increase from 1970 to 1978 was from $12,660 up to $22,200. In Sweden from $8,540 to $20,880; Canada from $10,510 to $20,770; Japan from $3,880 to $17,900; Britain from $4,960 to $12,490; Italy from $4,840 in the year 1970 to $11,840 in 1978; Israel from $4,960 in 1970 up to $11,280 in the year 1978.

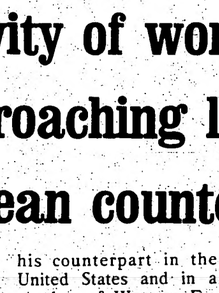
Urges Europe to repudiate PLO

WASHINGTON [JTA] —

In petitions deposited with the British and French embassies, the American Jewish Congress called on the governments of Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher and President Giscard d'Estaing "to repudiate the drift toward accommodation of the PLO and the PLO's purpose of destroying Israel, all too evident in recent statements and actions at the United Nations and elsewhere."

The petitions, signed by all 300 delegates to the organization's national biennial convention here, stated in part:

"We . . . deplore any flirtation with recognition of the PLO or any efforts to supercede or change Resolution 242. These smack of the kind of appeasement which the peoples of England and France must remember only too well from the period of the 1930s. A self-destructive policy of appeasement did not work against Hitler. It will not work against Arafat . . . We waited too long in the 1930s to condemn and reject the terrorism of that time. Had we done so, we might have prevented the terrible war which appeasement made inevitable."



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Prisoner of Conscience tells his story

Canadian group helped Soviet to emigrate

TORONTO —

A Soviet prisoner of conscience who spent three years in Vladmir, one of the USSR's worst prisons, and six years in various labor camps, told a session of the Canadian Jewish Congress plenary assembly that permission for him to leave the Soviet Union to join his family in Israel came about because of the efforts of groups such as the Canadian Committee for Soviet Jewry (CCSJ).

Speaking through interpreter Genya Intrator, vice-chairman of CCSJ, Leib Knokh won a standing ovation when he expressed his gratitude for those, he said, who helped in his struggle and obtained his release.

Tanned, slim, fit-looking and with a trimmed beard flecked with gray, the 35-year old electrical engineer now living in Tel Aviv was one of 12 activists from Riga who attempted the spectacular but abortive efforts to fly a rented airplane to Israel in 1970.

Sentenced in the infamous "Leningrad Trial of 12" to 10 years imprisonment, Knokh worked mostly in factories at the camps doing electrical work, carpentry, construction and even sewing work mitts.

His transfer to Vladmir prison came on the heels of hunger and work strikes he participated in at the Perm labor camp where a protest had been mounted over refusal to a group of Ukrainian dissidents to see relatives.

In an interview with The CJN, Knokh said that in the early and middle 70s, most camp prisoners were political dissidents who often presented a united front in the face of oppression by guards, and harassment of Jews by fellow prisoners was nil.

Active in the small aliya movement among young Jews centred primarily in the Baltic States in the late 60s, Knokh said the Soviet government had consistently refused exit visas. The Six Day War and reformist trends in Czechoslovakia and Poland had triggered an antagonism to Jews "because of their particular susceptibility to revisionism."

The small band of imprisoned aliya activists, together with other Jewish dissidents who wanted to remain in Russia but wanted more privileges to express themselves as Jews, formed a kibbutz-like cell in which the primary subject of discussion, according to Knokh, was Zionism.

They had no religious books, he said, but had secretly obtained one Hebrew study book which had been laboriously copied for all to read.

Pointing out some of the differences between labor camps and prisons, Knokh said the food products in the camps were of low nutritional value and inferior quality; but, in the prisons, there was almost total hunger.

Commenting on an international Olympic boycott, Knokh replied that there were many facets to putting pressure on the Soviet government, and that the boycott would certainly have impact on the average Russian.

Asked about the repercussions of the breakdown of East-West detente for Refuseniks, Knokh shook his head worriedly. "During detente, chances for emigration were much better because you had something to trade off. You could make a deal. Now it will be much harder.

"All the more reason," he said in rapid Russian to Mrs. Intrator, "for committees for Soviet Jewry to step up their activities. World passivity is the worst of all fates to befall the Refuseniks."

Speaking at the same session on Soviet Jewry, Abraham Foxman, associate national director of the anti-defamation league of B'nai B'rith, upheld the success of the work of Soviet Jewry committees around the world which liberated 250,000 Soviet Jews, 160,000 of whom went to Israel over a period of 10 years.

"Our campaigns shattered the myths which said we couldn't impact the Soviet Union, that we wouldn't obtain broad based non-Jewish support, and above all, that Jews both inside the Soviet Union and outside would not be able to sustain their fight."

He counselled against any relaxation of the struggle particularly because of a new Soviet order which would limit reunification of families to immediate relatives such as children and parents -- and only sometimes, brothers and sisters.

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Congress releases list of national officers

TORONTO —

A complete list of national officers of Canadian Jewish Congress was released here last week by the CJC.

As reported, Irwin Cotler is president. Other national officers who will serve a three-year term are:

Chairman, national executive, Sam Filer, Toronto; associate chairman, national executive, Milton Harris, Toronto; national vice-presidents, Ben Prossin, Halifax, Dorothy Reitman, Montreal, Donald Carr, Toronto, Marjorie Blankstein, Winnipeg, S. Bruce Green, Calgary and Dr. Moe Steinberg, Vancouver; secretary, Nachum Wilchesky, Montreal; treasurer, Edward Wolkove, Montreal; honorary legal counsel, Norman May, Toronto; chairman, board of governors; Sol Kanee, Winnipeg; past president, Rabbi Gunther Plaut, Toronto, past chairman, national executive, David Satok, Toronto, honorary president, Monroe Abbey, Montreal.

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Rabbi is Calgary Negev dinner honoree

CALGARY —

Rabbi Lewis N. Ginsburg, rabbi of Shaarey Zedek Synagogue, will be the 1980 Negev dinner honoree here, according to an announcement from William Cohen, the Calgary Jewish National Fund chairman. The dinner will be held on Sunday, June 8 in the Macleod Hall of the Convention Centre.

Rabbi Ginsburg, who has been actively involved in Jewish communal life in the U.S. and Canada, has also served as rabbi of the House of Jacob and Beth Israel congregations here as well as congregations in Edmonton, Saskatoon and his native Minneapolis.

He has held positions in the Jewish National Fund, ORT, United Israel Appeal and the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews. He has been chairman of the Calgary inter-faith community action committee and provincial chaplain of the Masonic Grand Lodge of Alberta and is chaplain of the Jewish War veterans, Calgary post.

Guest speaker at the dinner will be Yeshayahu Anug, Israel ambassador to Canada.

BB honors Ronson

TORONTO —

The R. Lou Ronson Research Institute on Anti-Semitism, to foster the study of anti-semitism in Canada, will be established by Canadian B'nai B'rith District 22, according to an announcement from Ted Greenfield, incoming president of the district. The institute will honor Lou Ronson, the retiring president.

In making the announcement, Greenfeild stated that "we can only attempt to emulate Mr. Ronson's services in such roles as the national chairman of the Canadian Council of Christians and Jews, a life member of the advisory council of the Anti-Defamation League and president of Canadian B'nai B'rith District 22, in creating this vehicle to combat anti-semitism."

The institute will be a component of the B'nai B'rith League for Human Rights. It will conduct and sponsor studies and seminars on the history and causes of anti-semitism as well as on the current situation in Canada.

Initial funding for the R. Lou Ronson Research Institute was provided by contributions from R. Lou Ronson and Ben Mendelsohn. Additional funding is expected from interested individuals and institutions.

Roy McMurtry, Ontario's attorney-general, put his best foot forward during a visit to Ontario Place, in Israel's Canada Park. Ontario Place was established as a tribute to Premier William Davis at a 1977 JNF sponsored Negev dinner.

U.S.-Israeli oil talks

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ment stipulates that "prices paid by Israel for oil provided by the United States . . . shall be comparable to world market prices current at the time of transfer."

Israel is not arguing about the price of U.S. oil. Israeli officials already have agreed to pay the going OPEC price, and not the much lower domestic U.S. price. (At first, there was an Israeli effort to win such a commitment, but the Americans absolutely refused to budge, and Israel dropped its case. At the same time, the State Department dropped its initial demand that Israel pay the U.S. the higher spot price.)

Israeli officials argue that by purchasing U.S. oil and avoiding the spot market, Israel's life would become much easier. They are pressing to activate the oil memorandum right now precisely because there is a glut of oil on the international market and no long gasoline lines in the U.S.

Indeed, hovering over the entire debate is the sticky matter of public relations, both for Israel and the Carter administration. U.S. officials note that the American public, especially during times of high gasoline prices and lines, might resent this special treatment for Israel, even though Israel's total oil requirements represents only a tiny fraction of American consumption.

The Carter administration is sensitive to criticism that it is offering precious U.S. oil to Israel at a time when the U.S., itself, is trying to become more independent of foreign imports.

But Israeli officials note that the United States has made a solemn pledge to help Israel for 15 years. Any refusal by the U.S. to meet that commitment could seriously undermine Israeli confidence in Washington's reliability to meet any future assurances attached to the peace process.

The National Association of Arab Americans and other pro-Arab groups have already jumped on this issue in an effort to weaken U.S. public support for Israel. Sen. Barry Goldwater, who in recent years has become increasingly hostile towards Israel, said: "Americans sweating it out in gas lines and being asked to turn down their thermostats will be interested to know that President Carter's ill-timed promise to guarantee Israeli oil supplies for 15 years is going ahead on schedule."

Indications persist that Moda'i and other Israeli officials are ready to suffer some further public relations setbacks in order to start purchasing American oil, especially the Alaskan heavy crude if possible. Israeli refineries have difficulty with East Coast light crude.

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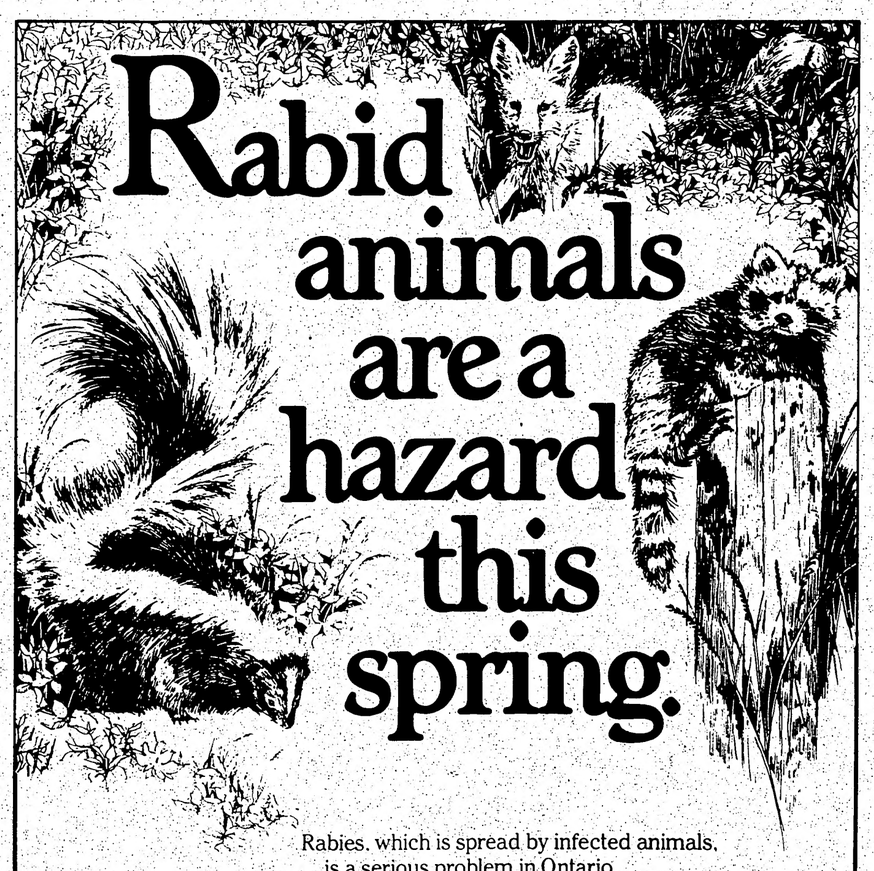

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EDITORIAL COMMENT

New Testament is source of Passion Play's problem

After years of attempting to persuade the burghers of 'Oberammergau in Bavaria to change the focus of the passion play (performed in that city every 10 years) the American Jewish Committee has acknowledged its failure.

In a pamphlet released recently by the group's inter-religious affairs department, the play, which depicts the trial and crucifixion of Jesus, is described as "structurally anti-semitic. It continues to malign Jewish law, to depict the Judaism of Jesus' time as corrupt and punitive and to dramatize those Gospel sources which cast the most negative light on Jewish motives and actions."

The Oberammergau repertory company did have the choice of substituting the venomous Daisenberger text (with its anti-semitic resonances) with the Rosner script, a treatment of the Passion theme in which diabolical agencies are blamed for the crucifixion rather than the Jewish people.

On a recent CBC program, host Roy Bonisteel, who has seen the inoffensive version, explained that the citizens of Oberammergau voted to retain the older, traditional text after a bitter series of debates among the city's citizens. The CBC personality further analyzed the commercial factors — fear of lost revenues and tourism — which hastened the Oberammergau decision to retain the Daisenberger text. The only concession made to Jewish sensitivities in this regard was to prune some of the grosser anti-semitic caricatures in the play.

The basic anti-Jewish hue remains.

It appears that neither the Holocaust nor the film of the same name have penetrated the consciousness of the organizers of the forthcoming Passion play. It was in Bavaria that Nazism first became rooted in Germany and from which its anti-semitic tendrils spread out over the German countryside. It is in Bavaria that the same anti-semitism continues to perpetuate itself through the medium of perverse art forms.

The American Jewish Committee has suffered a setback in its effort to sensitize the sponsors of the Oberammergau pageant. They claim, however, that the 1980 performance will be the last one of the Daisenberger script.

We wonder if the problem resides genuinely in the various scripts. More than one scholar today recognizes that the anti-Jewish animus of the Passion spectacle comes not from the dramatist's imagination but from the source text — the New Testament. In this case, the American Jewish Committee is wasting its time.

What's the fuss about?

Why the big fuss?.

Saudi Arabia almost severed relations with Great Britain because "The Death of a Princess" was shown on TV in that country and there was a tremendous campaign by Arab supporters (including members of the U.S. Congress) to prevent a showing in the U.S. on the Public Broadcasting Service.

Well, PBS, to its credit, went ahead and showed the film last week — despite the fact that one of the network's big contributors, Mobil Oil, was very much opposed and despite the fact that a number of the network's stations (mainly in the deep South and in Texas) refused to show it.

We watched the show and it wasn't really that offensive to the Arabs (at least from our point of view). It was the simple story of an Arabian princess who committed adultery and for this, the lovers were executed in a shopping centre parking lot — she by shooting and the boy by beheading. The movie, apparently based on fact, told the story of a journalist trying to track down the details of the romance and the execution and the barriers put in his way to get the facts.

Sure, it must have been uncomfortable for Arabs to watch the movie. We recall how we squirmed in our seats when we watched the movie "Oliver" and the stage presentation of "Merchant of Venice." But in our opinion, Death of a Princess handled the whole situation of death for adulterers and the lack of women's rights in Arab countries with considerable tact and delicacy.

The only points made by the movie, as far as we could determine, were that women don't have much freedom in the Arab countries — or at least in Saudi Arabia — and that this practice is contrary to the Islamic religion and is actually an invention of the Arabs under the guise of religion. At one time, according to the movie, Arab women shared complete equality with the men.

We don't think this movie will do much to change the world's opinion about the Arabs. As long as the world needs Arab oil, there will be those who will declare that the movie is an insult to the Arabs and should never have been shown.

We are pleased that PBS, which lives off contributions from the public rather than advertising revenue, had the guts to show Death of a Princess and we think it would be fitting for all of us to show our appreciation by sending a donation (or an added donation) to the closest PBS station in the area.

One more point. The swordsman who beheaded the boy in the movie had to take five or six swipes at him before he succeeded in his grisly task. Perhaps somebody should send a good knife grinder to Saudi Arabia in the event another such execution takes place.

Debt of gratitude

Paraplegics around the world owe a great debt of gratitude to Sir Ludwig Guttmann, who died recently in London at the age of 80. A pioneer in treating spinal cord injured patients, Sir Ludwig was also founder of the Stoke Mandeville Games for the Paralyzed, the first international sports event for paralyzed athletes.

His work, said The London Times in a tribute, was "based on strict scientific principles and leavened by flashes of genius . . ." Recognized and appreciated by his adopted country, Britain, Sir Ludwig was honored on numerous occasions,-and knighted when he was 60. Many nations sought, and got, his invaluable advice, including Israel.

He was born in 1899 into a modest Jewish family in the old German-Polish border province of Silesia. He qualified as a doctor in 1923, and from 1924 to 1929 he was assistant to a noted neurologist who developed the sub-specialty of neurosurgery. Sir Ludwig took up neurosurgery and achieved an international reputation in the field.

He was dismissed from his position after Hitler's rise to power, but continued to live in Germany until 1939 as director of the Jewish Hospital.

He emigrated to Britain on the eve of the war and there he carried out research at Oxford. In 1944, he was asked to take charge of the newly opened unit for spinal cord injured patients at Stoke Mandeville Hospital. Starting with six patients and 20 beds, he expanded the unit to 192 beds over a 15-year perios. It became second to none.

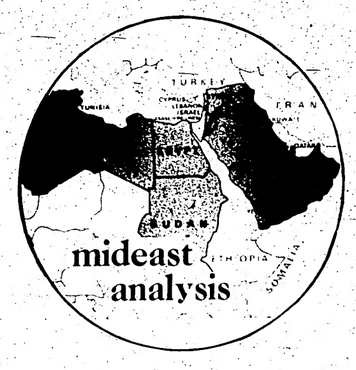
In 1948, Sir Ludwig founded the Stoke Mandeville Games for the Paralyzed. Eight years later, the International Olympic Committee awarded the Fearnley Cup to the games — the first time that an Olympic award had been given to a sports organization for the severely disabled.

Sir Ludwig was founder chairman of the World Committee on Paraplegia of the International Society for the Welfare of Cripples, and in 1961 he established the International Medical Society of Paraplegia. Countries such as Israel, France, Germany, Holland and Japan decorated and honored him.

He retired in 1960 but still raised funds. With the money he canvassed Sir Ludwig built at Stoke Mandeville Hospital the world's first sports centre for the paralyzed and disabled.

Sir Ludwig had a strong personality, so he made some enemies. But, given his dedication and selflessness, he had many more friends and admirers than detractors. His work over a lifetime held him in good stead.

Iraq emerges from isolation takes its place in Arab arena



By SHELDON KIRSHNER

Iraq, long a hermit in inter-Arab politics, has emerged from its self-imposed isolation. It is, observers agree, one of the most important developments in Middle East affairs in the last 10 years.

Having "rediscovered" foreign policy, Iraq has taken up its place — perhaps its rightful one — in the Arab political arena.

In the last two years, the Iraqis have attempted to lead the opposition to the Camp David agreements and the Israeli-Egyptian peace treaty, and, in reaction to the upheavals in Iran and Afghanistan, have asserted their interest in the Persian Gulf region.

Concomitantly, the Iraqi regime headed by Saddam Hussein, a shrewd 43-year-old ex-army officer, has begun to wield its influence in the Organization of Petroleum Exporting Countries (OPEC), and adopted what some analysts see as an increasingly liberal foreign aid program toward certain Arab and African states.

The Iraqis, though linked with the Soviet Union by a 1972 friendship treaty, have of late moved away from the embrace of Moscow, increased trade with the West — particularly the U.S., with which it has not had diplomatic ties since the 1967 Six Day War — and called upon both superpowers to stop interfering in the internal politics of the Persian Gulf area.

Iraq, by dint of its activity and its oil wealth, has displaced Egypt as the spokesman of an Arab consensus. And, although its alliance with Syria has fizzled in a welter of charges and counter-charges, Iraq still poses something of a military threat to Israel. Israelis strategists fully recognize Iraq's potential strength, while scoffing at the performance of its armed forces on the Golan Heights front in the 1973 Yom Kippur War.

It took the rapprochement between Egypt and Israel to galvanize the Iraqis into a greater appreciation for an activist foreign policy. Following Anwar Sadat's visit to Israel in the autumn of 1977, the Iraqis realized that it was high time for them to abandon their preoccupation with domestic politics. Ahmad Hassan Bakr, Saddam Hussein's predecessor, had seized power in July of 1968 and had used the intervening decade to consolidate his Ba'athist government. By 1978, Iraq was fairly stable, thanks in part to a repressive police force.

In order to outflank Egypt, Iraq, its rival, hosted two anti-Sadat conferences in Baghdad in the fall of 1978 and the early summer of 1979, thereby breaking out of its isolation.

As well, the Iraqis commenced to forge two new and potentially significant Arab axes: a Baghdad-Damascus alliance and a Baghdad-Riyadh alignment.

Israel, for one, found these turn of events disconcerting and surprising. Iraq and Syria had been on poor terms, but their combined armies, if united, could not be ignored. And it Iraq and Saudi Arabia, ideologically enemies, could find common ground, Riyadh was bound to boycott the Camp David process.

In the summer of 1979, when Saddam Hussein succeeded Ahmad Hassan Bakr as president, Iraq retrenched to deal with a crisis at home. A reported coup in Baghdad was crushed mercilessly and 20 conspirators were executed. In an effort to eliminate opposition to his rule, Hussein appeased the army — his base — by raising salaries for the armed forces.

Sparing no expense to pacify another source of trouble, the rebellious Kurds, Hussein declared a general amnesty for them. Then, playing the politics of conciliation, he urged the Communists, whom he had purged in the aftermath of the attempted coup, to rejoin his ruling Progressive National Front.

For good measure, Hussein proclaimed that debate would begin on a draft law for setting up a National Assembly, which could be Iraq's first elected parliament since the overthrow of the monarchy in 1958. (Two weeks ago, the official Iraqi News Agency reported that Iraq would hold a general election on June 20.)

Having achieved a measure of calm in Baghdad, Hussein set to work on the Shi'its, who comprise from a third to a half of Iraq's population. The Shi'its, who resent the predominantly Sunni establishment, of which Hussein is a member, have always had strong traditional ties with their brothers in Iran. Fearing that Iraq's Shi'its might be inspired by the Iranian revolution to revolt, Hussein met Shi'it religious leaders and promised to improve the generally low standard of living in their community.

With the home front quiet, Hussein turned to foreign affairs.

By then, the Baghdad-Damascus dialogue was in a shambles. Hussein had accused Syria of being involved in the July coup attempt, so talks on the Iraqi-Syrian union came to a standstill. But, in the wake of the Iranian revolution and Moscow's intervention in Afghanistan, the chances of union are even worse.

Syria publicly supports the revolution, while Iraq has conducted a systematic war of words against it. In turn, Iran has accused Iraq of fomenting subversion within Iran.

Iraq and Syria also differ on their attitudes toward a Middle East settlement. Iraq is adamantly opposed to any recognition of Israel. Syria, its hard line notwithstanding, might be amenable to an agreement with Israel if certain conditions are met by Jerusalem.

Unlike Syria, Iraq did not sign the 1949 armistice agreement ending the first Arab-Israeli war. The principal organ of Iraq's Ba'athists, Al-Thawrah, rejected the Camp David accords in the harshest possible way: "We know that Zionism is not merely a state of a 'people' — it is an expansionist, aggressive, fanatic and racist 'ideology'. (We know) that a conciliatory attitude does not make such an ideology relent; instead it increases its haughtiness . . . The more we relent, the more obdurate it becomes."

Despite its fierce position on Israel, Iraq is now more concerned with the situation in the Persian Gulf than with the Arab-Israeli dispute. Syria, by contrast, seeks to intensify the Arab anti-Sadat campaign.

In line with its priorities, Iraq has drawn relatively close to Saudi Arabia and Kuwait. What accounts for the warming of relations? Common internal and external dangers, in the opinion of observers. These include the possibility of Iran's Shi-it revolution spreading westward, the risk of instability in the Persian Gulf now that the shah is no longer the "protector" of this vital waterway, and the fear of a new Soviet assertiveness in Afghanistan and the Horn of Africa.

Iraq is adamant that neither the Soviet Union nor the United States should have a role to play in the region or surrounding waters. Consequently, it has called upon all Arab states to steer clear of superpower links and to opt for strict non-alignment, thus serving notice that its special relationship with Moscow is at an end, if only temporarily.

Iraq's leaders do not regard the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan as an isloated event. Rather, they see it as part of the traditional pattern by superpowers to dominate and exploit the Middle East for economic and strategic ends.

Iraq has therefore criticized Moscow's intervention in Afghanistan and its involvement in Ethiopia and South Yemen. In fact, Saddam Hussein has vowed to overthrow Marxist South Yemen, the so-called jewel in the Soviet crown in the Middle East.

Iraq has also tried to thwart U.S. influence in the Middle East by warning of the dangers that an American presence in Oman and the Indian Ocean would pose for the entire region.

Baghdad's strategy has consisted of inducements of oil supply and developmental aid, and heavy-handed warnings of internal and external pressure. For example, Iraq warned Oman that the Omani Liberation Front would resume operations if it accepted U.S. military forces on its soil.

In another expression of its determination to control the destiny of the Gulf, Iraq announced last February that it had placed orders with Italian shipyards for four frigates, six corvettes and a naval support vessel. On paper, Iraq already has the biggest Arab navy in the Gulf, but it consists entirely of aging Soviet-built ships. Now Baghdad evidently intends to reinforce its naval capability and make its military influence felt throughout the Gulf. Being the strongest country in the Gulf, Iraq has circulated the word that it would defend Bahrain if Iran attacked it.

Outside the Gulf, Iraq has launched a diplomatic blitz in Africa so as to enlist African support for rejecting the Camp David accords and the Israeli-Egyptian peace treaty. To date, the leaders of Zambia, Madagascar, Tanzania and Mozambique have visited Baghdad. Last December, the Iraqi minister of state paid visits to Nigeria and Gabon.

And in recent months, several Western European foreign ministers have been in Baghdad.

Another direction of Iraqi foreign policy has been in the realm of OPEC politics. Iraq, one of the biggest oil producers, is hosting a summit in Baghdad to mark OPEC's 20th anniversary. It is an accomplishment for the Iraqis that OPEC saw fit to hold its deliberations in Baghdad.

Further afield, the Iraqis have just concluded a deal with Brazil, the largest nation in South America. In return for oil, Iraq will get Brazilian military equipment and possibly nuclear know-how.

Iraq has come a long way in the conduct of its foreign policy, and these developments hardly augur well for Israel.

[Iraq Today].

Sadam Hussein, Iraq's president [right], and his predecessor, Ahmad Hassan Bakr.

Letters to the Editor

Doesn't share in the 'joyful welcome'

The joyful tone of the welcome extended to the Ashkenazi chief rabbi of Jerusalem as reported in The CJN (April 17) is certainly not shared by many of your readers.

Indeed, Rabbi Bezalel Zolty's divisive statements of just a few months ago linger on as distasteful memories for the many thousands who worship in Conservative synagogues.

The press reported last fall that Rabbi Zolty issued public statements declaring that "a Jew who hears the blowing of the shofar in a Conservative synagogue has not fulfilled his halachic obligation" and "Jews should not be seduced by the propaganda of the Conservative movement and should refrain from taking part in any of its activities."

Statements and edicts such as these from a so-called religious leader strike a particularly low blow against the concept of Klal Yisrael!

Harold A. Cohen,
Toronto.

My brother and I were in Spain recently and visited the Barcelona synagogue on the eve of Passover. We thought you might like to know what's doing there.

The shul is quite modern and we were very surprised to find the congregation was quite youthful — young people, many teenagers and children.

The kids made a terrible racket (never have we heard such a noisy service) and at the conclusion all the children went up to the bimah and exchanged kisses with the rabbi. We thought this was a very touching gesture.

On the way out, everyone was handed a Lubavitch mitzvah instruction sheet as well as a couple of bitter herbs.

In short, we saw a young, vibrant congregation.

Michael Samuelson,
Montreal.

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In Beverley Stern's sensitive account of the 60 years of the Toronto B'nai B'rith Lodge (March 27), she didn't indicate clearly the lodge's connection with the Free Loan Society.

Toronto Lodge financed the establishment of the society 58 years ago, and lodge members were active in the early years of the society's administration.

When mentioning the lodge's pioneering of career conferences, tribute should also be paid to Jack Gringorten, who masterminded the project and the collateral aptitude tests. The University of Toronto was so impressed with the operation that it provided Jack with an office and other facilities to develop a curriculum at the university level.

Also, it is interesting to note that the lodge's executive board kept the Ontario office of Congress afloat for almost a decade during the troublesome 30s by guaranteeing the notes necessary to run its operations.

Montague Raisman,
Toronto.

Arabs are unhappy with Orientalists

By ARNOLD AGES

[Second of a series]

Donald P. Little, of McGill University's Institute of Islamic Studies, has analyzed the Arab response to the academic study of the Muslim faith and its history.

As a professor within the field he feels that it is necessary to understand why there has been a critical backlash among Muslim researchers towards European students of the Arab-Islamic experience. The McGill academic suggests also that the current political and economic situation dictates a need for mutual understanding — a rather curious reason to be advanced by a professor justifying the scholarly study of something.

In the introduction to his article, from which we have drawn liberally, Prof. Little also points to the "devastatingly critical" nature of Muslim attacks on Orientalism as leading to the assessment of the validity of their judgments and "the strengths and weaknesses of the methodology which we use and prompt us to ask if, or how, these methods can be improved."

The conciliatory tone of the McGill scholar seems high-minded and admirable until one examines the basis of the criticism which has been poured on Orientalism by Arab critics. In light of the assault on western scholarship, Little's remarks appear excessively obsequious.

There are two individuals who have come to prominence in the past 10 years in terms of their denunciations of Orientalism. Edward Said, a suave Columbia University professor of English literature, is perhaps the most articulate of the group. A Palestinian by birth, Said, a member of the PLO governing council, has written many articles and two major books on his view of western perceptions of Islam and the Arab world.

There are several dogmas which Said has identified as components of the West's original sin towards the Arabs. They indicate: the assumption of the West's superiority over the Orient, the preference for arguments based on ancient texts rather than confrontation with the modern phenomenon, the incapability of the Orient to define itself and, finally the lingering fear that the Orient is something to be feared.

Said, a writer of considerable stylistic excellence with a broad knowledge of political and social psychology has also attacked western practitioners of Orientalism such as Bernard Lewis for attributing "bad sexuality" to the Arab character through the perversion of philology, the study of language. In his book Orientalism, Said singles out Lewis for the latter's tracing of the Arab word thawra (revolution) to a root associated with certain activities of a camel in the sexual domain.

A fierce advocate of a PLO state, Said has also connected the West's erroneous interpretation of Islam with the official policy of the Israel government. Jews who have adopted Zionism, says Said, have adopted as well the characterization of the Muslim Arab as an inferior species when compared to the western societies.

Ironically, Jews can appreciate the major thrust of Muslim opponents of Orientalism, namely that western, largely Christian scholars have distorted the reality of Islamic civilization by approaching it through the prism of pre-judgment on the one hand and a sense of triumphalism on the other. For centuries Jews and Judaism have been scrutinized by Christian scholars who have introduced a great deal of mischief into their interpretations. The very act of referring to the Hebrew Bible as the Old Testament was a polemical statement which attempted linguistically to reduce the sanctity of what Jews call the Tanach.

While unhappy with a stereotype view of Judaism associated with the mainstream of Christian writing, Jews recognize, nevertheless, that many Christian scholars past and present have made important contributions to our understanding of the Hebrew Bible, Jewish history and philosophy. There have been many Eisenmengers (German author of anti-semitic work on Judaism) but there have also been several Reuchlins.

Representatives of a militant Arab viewpoint such as Said cannot see any merit in historical research into Islamic civilization conducted by the Orientalist community. His view is monochromatic. In a caustic review of Said's book in Midstream, Raphael Patai, the Arabist and anthropologist author of a book entitled The Arab Mind, pointed out more than 100 errors of fact found in Said's treatise and suggests that the Columbia professor should concentrate on his imperfect knowledge of Arabic before discoursing on complicated matters.

In his review, Patai expressed considerable indignation over Said's denigration of the European founders of Orientalism. What Said has ignored, in his indictment of the West, is the fact that Orientalists in the last century, by introducing the scientific study of Islamic civilization, effectively gave the Muslim-Arab peoples the tools with which they could resuscitate their own past history. In fact Orientalists did more to help the Arab world to redefine its past glories and future potential. Without the yeoman's work of rescuing medieval texts and lovingly editing them, the basic national monuments of Islam would have disappeared.

[The final article in this series will appear in our next issue.]

Story of communist dupes in author's mind for 15 years

By ARNOLD AGES

Elie Wiesel's new novel, the story of Jews duped by the promises and ideals of communism, is a subject on which he has been meditating since 1965 when he made his first trip to the Soviet Union and which resulted in his writing of **The Jews of Silence.** "When I was there I had the opportunity of meeting with such Jews and hearing about others who had been involved in the communist dream," he told me in a phone interview.

Other obligations led him to put aside for some time the idea of re-creating their world but in April, 1980 the French publishing house Le Seuil brought out Wiesel's **Le Testament d'un Poete Juif Assassine,** the confession of one Paltiel Kossover, a Yiddish poet, who relates his journey from Judaism to communism and back and who is executed along with the other Yiddish writers in the Stalinist purge after 1948.

Wiesel indicates that the English title of the novel will simply be **The Testament** (to be published by Simon and Schuster), a translation which caused some problems because of the religious resonances associated with Christianity. Wiesel feels, however, that no apology need be given for selecting the word; no one has any proprietary rights on the concept.

Asked who Paltiel Kossover represents, Wiesel replies that he is a composite of the various Russian-Jewish communists who enjoyed momentary fame in the 30s and 40s before the Soviet regime saw fit to liquidate them. "Der Nister is a particular fascinating figure," says Wiesel. "Here was a follower of the Bratislaver chassidim who became a fervent communist." Wiesel modeled his protagonist on people like David Bergelson, Peretz Markish, Der Nister and Mikhoels of the Yiddish theatre.

Wiesel's novel has been widely acclaimed in France as a masterpiece. Reviewers in Le Monde and Le Nouvel Observateur have lavished praise on the work. "Three days ago I received a visit from Simon Markish, the son of Peretz Markish," Wiesel said. "He had just read the novel and indicated to me that I had succeeded in guessing everything about the mood and atmosphere of the period. He wondered how I knew what were the secret fears, the unexpressed desires, the schizophrenia which characterized the Russian-Jewish poets."

Paltiel Kossover is a name with special meaning for Wiesel. The first name can mean "God is my refuge" or "I am a refugee from God" and for the author these ideas convey the opposing strains in the hero's spiritual life. His adult career is a tug-of-war between the attractions of Judaic piety and communism. At the end of the novel Paltiel is reconciled with his God and his people. The first meaning asserts itself.

"Kossover" is also redolent, in Wiesel's optic, of Jewish worship and reverence for God because Kossof was the home of the Vishnitzer rebbe. Thus the central character carried with him Hebrew and Russian titles that symbolize both his estrangement and his return.

We asked Wiesel if it was not taxing the reader's credulity to invent a character who is both deeply immersed in Jewish tradition and learning (and pious as well) and who at the same time is transformed into a communist patriot mouthing anti-Zionist canards and trumpeting the glories of the workers' paradise.

"Not at all," replies Wiesel. "You must appreciate the fact that eastern European Jewish communists were sui generis. They did not conform to the conventional image of the communist. Besides Paltiel, like so many of those whom he represents, was a communist rate (failed) just as he was a lover rate. They retained their Jewishness despite their communism but they died because of their Jewishness not their communism.

"This may seem difficult to believe but in Sighet where I studied in yeshiva there was a group of boys who regularly left the classes to go off, I knew not where. It was only after the war that I discovered that they were engaged in the study of communism and that their sole ambition in life was to go to the Soviet Union and serve the mother of revolutions."

That atmosphere is generated in Wiesel's novel through the portrait of Ephraim, who becomes Paltiel's study mate and who surreptiously initiates the young, pious lad into the complexities of the class struggle and the rapaciousness of the rich. We inquired whether Wiesel himself had been exposed personally to that kind of indoctrination but he indicated that he had been too young at the time. As for communism itself: "I was never really interested in it."

Wiesel may never have been interested in the communism but the Soviet Union has been a major interest. He has traveled there many times and mentions the fact that the current novel is being translated into Russian through **Samizdat,** the underground network which circulates typewritten versions of major works. "All my novels have been translated into Russian and passed from hand to hand in this way."

A meticulous literary craftsman, Wiesel checks out the information which he uses in his novel with professionals. There is a scene in the book which depicts the protagonist's son, Grischa, biting his own tongue off in a fit of despondency — with the result that he becomes mute. We asked Wiesel if this was a figment of his own artistic creativity and whether this was medically possible. He replied that before putting the scene in the novel he had checked with three different physicians to determine whether this was physically possible and whether such things actually occurred. "They assured me that it was entirely possible and in fact such self-mutilation was documented."

The Testament ends on the Friday before Yom Kippur 1973, with war about to be unleashed on unsuspecting Israel.

Why did Wiesel terminate his novel in this way?

"Because, as in all my novels, there is an end and then there is a beginning; that is life."

Life is also sensuality and that is why Wiesel's books contains scenes which depict human sexuality — a major difference when compared to the chasteness of his previous novels.

We asked Wiesel to comment on this aspect of his work. "My previous essays and novels were expressions of the sacred in Jewish life. It would have been unseemly to have violated the spirit of those works with profane subjects. But this novel deals precisely with the profane and in that sphere there is sensuality; indeed there is no life without sensuality. But you will note that I have not provided clinical description of love."

Wiesel returns to the sacred once again in his next volume, to be published next year — the second part of his study of the masters of the Talmud.

Latest Elie Wiesel novel describes Jewish dalliance with Marxist movement across the span of years

Elie Wiesel's new novel, reviewed here by Prof. Arnold Ages, will be one of the works to be analyzed in a course which Ages will teach, in French, at Beth Tzedec in the fall. This is the first time that a course, to be taught entirely in French, will be given at the synagogue. The course will be called: "L'oeuvre d'Elie Wiesel."

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LE TESTAMENT D'UN POETE JUIF ASSASSINE [THE TESTAMENT].
By Elie Wiesel
Seuil. 290 Pages. $8.95

If there is any doubt that Elie Wiesel is the most gifted novelist in the Jewish world it will be dispelled by the publication of this extraordinary novel, released last month in France and destined for English publication in December, 1980. There is nothing in the Wiesel repertoire (with the exception perhaps of **Night**) which approaches the richness and profundity of his current novelistic exploration of a theme which has haunted Jews during much of the 20th century — the unrewarding association between Jews and communism.

The work has a vast panoramic sweep encompassing the Jewish dalliance with Marxism from the early part of this century to the present. Wiesel's re-creation of the romance is trans-geographical as he shifts the action from Romania to Germany, to France, Spain and Israel. The novel is suffused throughout with the blend of melancholy and quiet, ironic humor that have become the hallmark of Wiesel's fiction.

The protagonist is named Paltiel Kossover and we learn of his spiritual odyssey from Judaism to communism and back again to Judaism from the confession he has been asked to write as he sits in solitary confinement in a Soviet prison, incarcerated, as were so many others, for simply being a Jew.

The testament which he composes is in part autobiographical but it is more than the mere evocation of family friends and relatives. Kossover's account is a description of the travail of generations of eastern European Jews who, having pledged their troth to communist ideals in the mistaken belief that it represented a fusion of Jewish messianic concepts, discovered too late that the gap between theory and practice was a yawning abyss which ultimately swallowed them.

The pace of the novel is rapid. Wiesel introduces us to the pious youth and education of Paltiel Kossover in anti-semitic Romania of the pre-World War II years. A pogrom is described in all its venomous fury.

At his yeshiva, Paltiel comes under the influence of Ephraim who initiates him into the doctrines of the class struggle and the secular millenium. Wiesel is particularly skilful in portraying the agonizing dialectic through which Paltiel goes before repudiating the faith of his father and embracing the less parochial, "universal" dictates of Marx.

The struggle between the impulses of religion and secularism is represented in the novel by the protagonist's tephilin, which he carries with him and which remain the constant reminder of the estrangement he experiences as he pursues his career as a dedicated communist — a career which takes him to Germany to battle Hitler's hooligans in the early 30s, to Paris where he celebrates the glories of the poletariat in a Yiddish newspaper called **Parisер Heint** and, even to Palestine where he conspires with sabra Marxists to bring about the seculat utopia.

His peregrinations on behalf of the party bring him also to Spain during the civil war. There he makes the interesting observation that the Jewish communists in the International Brigade did not engage in the indiscriminate brutality which other gentile communist comrades sepcialized in.

Paltiel discovers the real meaning of brutality during the Great Patriotic War (as the Russians call WWII) when he serves as a medic in the front lines and witnesses the grotesqueries of war. Yet despite the inhumanity of what he sees, Paltiel retains his own sense of life's worth and in what is perhaps the most poignant scene in the novel he brings an unjured German soldier into his company's field hospital and asks that the dying man be treated. His superiors are incredulous — to aid a German soldier at a time when thousands of Russians are dying is dismissed as criminal lunacy.

Elie Wiesel will be in Toronto on Sunday, May 25, to address the annual banquet for the United Israel of Canada. His topic: "The Challenge of Jewish Solidarity." For further information about the banquet, contact the UIA, 491 Lawrence Ave. W., Toronto, phone [416] 789-0575.

Intertwined with Paltiel Kossover's testament is his relationship to the father to whom he promised to put on tephilin and to his son Grischa who is a mute. The latter lives in Israel, an escapee from the territorial prison that is the Soviet Union. He does not know his father, except through dim memories and descriptions transmitted to him by his mother and a family friend. It is 1973 and he awaits the arrival of his mother but she will not appear because she becomes ill.

Grischa is the link between the past and the present but his future is ominous and the clouds of war gather in the days before Yom Kippur 1973.

There are significant differences which separate this novel from Wiesel's previous works. The Holocaust, so central to Wiesel's fictional world, is only peripheral in this novel. The madmen, mystics and seers who populate his other novels are not represented to the same degree.

In his previous works Wiesel indulges in obscure (at times) theological divagations; politics plays a minor role in his literary art. In The Testament Wiesel, for the first time, explores the communist dialectic and its impact on a well-meaning if naive Jewish pietist. In this regard Wiesel has done yeoman service in evoking that period during the 30s when Jewish communists flourished and when they poured their energies into furthering the aims of the Soviet Union.

The bitter disillusionment which many of the latter experienced is expertly chronicled by Wiesel in the part of his novel where he describes Paltiel Kossover's repatriation to the Soviet Union on the eve of the war. Accustomed to speaking the truth, Paltiel is thunder struck by the Nazi-communist pact whose effect was to legitimize the government which, until that moment, represented the most satanic element in Soviet demonology. One day the Nazis were hated; the next they became respected allies.

Wiesel is at his best delineating the surrealistic atmosphere which pervaded the Jewish communist circles and their acrobatic attempts to fade into the background so as not to draw attention to themselves.

Another major departure for Wiesel is the introduction of sensual motifs in his novel. His previous works have been characterized by a chasteness and disinclination to dwell on the carnal side of life. In The Testament Paltiel Kossover has a string of mistresses. Inge the German-Jewish apparatchik, initiates him into the manners of the boudoir, while he meditates on pious images of a saintly rabbi. In Paris, Sheina shares his bed as she instructs him in the vagaries of comintern politics.

Elie Wiesel's novel evokes superlatives. It is beautifully constructed, powerfully executed and brilliantly conceived. Why he wrote the work can be explained in a comment he made to this reviewer regarding the genesis of the work. "I do not want the executioner to have the last word," says Wiesel, "I want the victim to have his say." In this novel Elie Wiesel has done precisely that.

And so, let us draw a Congress balance sheet for Eliezer and his friends

By J. B. SALSBERG
[Second of three columns]

It was late in the evening when my uncle Eliezer and his friends, Mendle and Sam, ended their recitation of experiences and observations at the last assembly for Canadian Jewish Congress that puzzled and worried them.

We all looked at our watches and felt that the time has come for me to offer a rationale of the event. The samovar was filled again and I began to sort things out for them and for myself as well.

There is no denying, I began, that the last plenary assembly was dominated by a new phenomenon — that of confrontation. This did not express itself by the fact that certain people competed against other people for positions in Congress leadership. That has happened in the past as well.

This time, however, I agreed with my visitors, the challenge was not between one candidate's merit as against another but was presented as a programatic and philosophical challenge. It was that challenge that influenced the grouping and regrouping of people.

I know many people who favored certain candidates at the last plenary but who withheld support from them at this one because of the confrontation nature of the election campaign. Unlike any time in the past, it was no longer a matter of personal merits but of real or imaginary programatic differences.

In his May 8 article, Sol Littman, community relations editor of Toronto Star, tried to evaluate the plenary and in doing so interviewed a number of people. The replies he received prove my contention to the hilt.

Littman wrote: "It is the end of the Bronfman era when businessmen and fund raisers dominated Canadian Jewish organizations," says Osgood Hall law instructor David Weisstub, who campaigned actively for Cotler's election last weekend." And Littman added that the men who succeeded Sam Bronfman were largely business asociates and cronies.

I was never "a Bronfman man" but it should be said that he held his elected office for 23 years by almost unanimous consent of practically every sector of the Jewish community precisely because he led Congress by the principle of consensus. Further, I would have thought that "the Bronfman era" came to an end not on May 1-4, 1980, when the last assembly met, but when Sam Bronfman voluntarily surrendered that office in 1962.

Let's see: Were the Labor Zionists and the Jewish unions, who generally supported Mr. Bronfman's candidacy, and who were, in those years, far more influential in Congress than they are at present, were they Mr. Bronfman's cronies?

Was the late, universally respected Michael Garber, Congress president after Bronfman, the lawyer I used to engage (mostly without renumeration) to defend striking Jewish workers in Montreal courts, was he a "business associate or crony?"

Was Monroe Abbey one of them?

Does Sol Kanee, of Winnipeg, fit the description?

Was Sydney M. Harris, of Toronto (and now a judge) of that description?

Does Rabbi Gunther Plaut, Congress president for the past three years, fit into that fictitious categorization of what Congress presidents were since the late Mr. Bronfman retired from office?

They obviously don't fit.

By this time, my dear and patient readers, the hour was really late, but my guests urged me to go on and I did for another little while.

I turned to another quotation in Littman's article. I turned to another quotation in Littman's article. A Jewish science student tried to enlighten his interviewer by explaining the election results at the plenary this way: "It means social activism and open advocacy as opposed to the quiet diplomacy traditionally practiced by Canadian Jewish Congress."

Activism? What, for example, would one call the hundreds of marches, demonstrations and mass gatherings throughout the country for Soviet Jews? What of the dramatic march of some 6,000 Jews that descended on Ottawa and marched through the heart of our capital to protest to Soviet Premier Kosygin, when the latter was received by our government? What of the torchlight parade of some 10,000 Toronto Jews when Kosygin was in that city? And what of the all-night vigil of our Jewish students (in a drenching rain) in front of Kosygin's hotel?

All that was done when Sydney M. Harris, then David Satok, then Max Shecter were national chairmen of the Congress Committee for Soviet Jewry and when David Sadowski and Steve Ain were heading the youth section of that campaign. The same is true of Irwin Cotler's magnificent role in championing the cause of Soviet Jews in recent years. Was Congress activist? Of course it was, and how!

By now, my patient readers, it was past midnight and we agreed to reconvene for my final and, I promise you, optimistic conclusion.

So, bear with me until next week. All this will, I believe, be good for Congress and good for the new leadership.

Leader of Jews in France describes community problems

By PROF. HENRY H. WEINBERG
[University of Toronto]

Coming from a country where aristocracy still radiates an aura of prestige and influence, the distinguished looking visitor, a descendant of one of the most celebrated dynasties, hardly gives the appearance of a committed Jew. Yet, a principal speaker at the recent plenary of the Canadian Jewish Congress in Toronto, France's Baron Alain de Rothschild is a man deeply concerned with the major issues facing world Jewry.

As president of CRIF (Conseil Representatif des Institutions Juives en France), the French equivalent of the CJC, he has led the French Jewish community for the past 13 years through one of the most significant periods in its long history.

The third largest Diaspora in the world — the second largest in the free world — has undergone major changes in the past decade. Its recently found self-confidence and assertiveness represent a remarkable development. In a country with a deeply ingrained tradition of anti-semitism, where the word Juif carries with it a stigma not too dissimilar in its impact from the Russian Jhid, the Jews have displayed in the past a kind of collective timidity.

In the wake of the profound impact of the Six Day War on a community which includes many survivors of the Holocaust, Baron Rothschild's election in 1967 to the presidency of the highest Jewish political body coincides with the beginning of what can now be considered a true renaissance of Jewish life in France.

A man with an obvious sense of commitment to Judaism, the Baron speaks with fervor about the achievements as well as the problems of the French Jewish community, about the differences with the French government over Middle Eastern policy and about the future of one of the most assimilated yet one of the most intellectually vibrant Jewish concentrations in the world.

Belonging to a family whose descendants have not always chosen to identify themselves with the Jewish people, the Baron observes with a note of self-deprecation and surprise, "I've become a professional Jew." Although some of his ancestors were involved in communal affairs, this represents no doubt a significant personal change. His roots as a French aristocrat stretch for several generations.

He speaks about the growth of Jewish education, the Jewish community centres thriving with a variety of activities, the impact of a new generation of Jewish thinkers.

Although not minimizing the difficulties of dealing with France's oil-oriented foreing policy, he cites the vigorous response by CRIF to a recent government plan to invite PLO leader Yassir Arafat for an official visit to France. In a widely quoted declaration, CRIF stated unequivocally that Arafat's visit will "risk a complete divorce" between the French Jewish community and the government. With a sense of obvious satisfaction, the Baron hints that the proposed visit has now been quietly dropped.

[Ben Lechtman photo]
Baron Alain de Rothschild speaking at CJC plenary assembly.

Although the French Jewish leader does not personally favor bloc voting by Jews, speakers at a recently held rally in Paris advocated just that. At a CRIF sponsored gathering of close to 150,000 French Jews, several leaders called on supporters of Israel to consolidate their voting power — a daring call in a relatively monolithic state where less militant declarations often brought accusations of dual loyalty.

In connection with the resurgence of interest in a variety of Judaic topics the French leaders speak with satisfaction of the emergence, among the so-called "new philosophers," of a brilliant generation of young Jewish intellectuals. In a land where thinkers have traditionally been accorded the near adulation of Hollywood stars, such eloquent philosophers as Bernard-Henri Levy (the author of the best-selling **Testament de Dieu**) and Andre Glucksman are being lionized by Parisian intellectual circles. More significantly, they are openly loyal to Jewish causes and have become highly effective as unofficial spokesmen for the community.

Baron Rothschild sees no threat to the unity of French Jewry from an increasingly vocal Jewish left. He dismisses as insignificant a recent declaration by a group of left-leaning Jewish intellectuals in which they disassociate themselves from the "excessively" pro-Israel stance of CRIF.

Having gained a certain cohesion in its ranks following the activities of the Peace Now movement in Europe in recent months, a group of well-known personalities, expressing a variety of left wing ideologies, wrote ina statement published in **Le Monde** on March 29: "Israel is only one part, one dimension of world Judaism . . . we refuse any Israeli centrality, any obedience to Jerusalem and the Zionist movement." Attacking directly the organization led by Baron Rothschild, the leftist Jewish intellectuals, among them the well-known Wladimir Rabi and Pierrte Vidal-Naquet, accused CRIF "of shirking its responsibilities" on the Israeli question.

Presumably these "responsibilites" include, according to the Le Monde statement, support for a PLO West Bank state and the denunciation of "discrimination against Arabs in Israel."

The Baron points to the considerable loss of credibility suffered by the French left in the past few months. From a serious struggle in the French Communist Party (where Jews still play important roles) to a deepening controversy inside the powerful socialist camp over the Soviet invasion of Afghanistan, the left has clearly undergone a traumatic ideological setback.

On the other hand, Baron Rothschild deplores the failure of his organization to attract new, young blood into the leadership ranks. He regrets the inability of an aging communal structure to keep pace with the new ideological changes in French Jewry. He realizes that this situation is not unique to France.

At the same time, CRIF has been successful in its activities facilitating the absorption in France of over 300,000 North African Jews in the past 20 years. These immigrants have contributed immeasurably to the revitalization of French Jewry and now constitute a majority of the community.

The Baron is also unhappy about the French community's tendency to sporadic involvement, to the practice of "crisis Judaism." In a community highly prone to assimilation, he would prefer, for instance, a more sustained effort in the area of Jewish education, where considerable progress has already been made in the last few years (the French government pays the salaries of secular studies teachers).

The Baron is also been critical of the relatively weak fund-raising efforts. In spite of the community's growing prosperity the per capita donations to the French United Jewish Appeal are substantially lower than in Canada.

The French Jewish leader attributes the resurgence of overt anti-semitism in France (in the past year and a half there have been bombings, desecration of synagogues and cemeteries) in part to the quest for sensationalism in the media. In a society whose modern history is intimately linked to several famous episodes containing a "Jewish theme," including some involving the Rothschild name, books and stories referring to Jews are an instant formula for commercial success The recent publicity given to former Nazis and to books expounding a historical revisionism favorable to Nazi ideology have no doubt contributed to the anti-semitic wave.

A man who projects integrity and religious faith, the leader of French Jewry, who has no illusions about the prospects of real change in the Gentiles' attitude to Jews, Rothschild is nevertheless optimistic that with self-confidence, faith and courage, the Jewish people can overcome the difficulties it faces today.

Organizations and People

what's new ...about people

By MIRIAM HERMAN

MUSIC IN THE AIR

Six distinguished Toronto cantors — **David Bagely** of Beth Sholom, **Louis Danto** of Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda, **Benjamin Maissner** of Holy Blossom, **Efraim Sapir** of Beth David B'nai Israel-Beth Am, **Thomas Schwartz** of Temple Emanu-El, and **Severin Weingort** of Temple Sinai — are appearing in the second annual cantorial concert set for Tuesday, May 27, at 8 p.m. at Holy Blossom Temple. Program also includes a concert choir and instrumental ensemble under the direction of **Ben Steinberg.**

Proceeds go to the Toronto Cantorial Trust Fund which provides scholarships for cantorial students and helps support many Jewish music programs and projects in the city, including the building of a new music reference library at the Jewish Public Library. For tickets and information, call Holy Blossom at 781-9185.

The music school of the Koffler Centre of the Arts has arranged a recital for Wednesday, May 28, featuring faculty members **Sandra McArthur,** contralto; **Vicki Blechta,** flautist, and **Karen Rymal,** pianist, who will be joined by **Valerie Siren,** soprano and **Cecilia Ignatieff,** pianist. It all takes place at the Jewish Community Centre at 8.15 p.m. and admission is free.

Yehoram Gaon

Ilanit

Israeli singers **Yehoram Gaon** and **Ilanit** will be featured performers at a concert Thursday, the 29th, sponsored by the Parent-Teacher Association of Bialik Hebrew Day School. Funds raised will go to meet school needs. Concert begins at 8.30 p.m. at Beth Tzedec Synagogue. For tickets and information, call **Judy Shrier** at 225-6067 or **Sharon Sky** at 449-2631.

DEDICATION AT TEMPLE SINAI

Lieutenant-Governor Pauline McGibbon and her husband **Donald McGibbon** are among the prominent community, political, religious and artistic figures who gathered at Temple Sinai Wednesday morning, the 21st, to celebrate the dedication of the innovative stained glass windows by artist **Eric Wesselow.** The dedication of "The Scroll of Ruth" windows took place during the Shavuot festival services along with the premiere performance of "Entreat Me Not to Leave Thee," a new liturgical work by **Ben Steinberg.** Both were especially commissioned to mark Temple Sinai's 25th anniversary year. The dedicatory speaker was **Rabbi Alexander Schindler,** president of the Union of American Hebrew Congregations.

PM's ADVISOR ON TV

Prime Minister Menachem Begin's special advisor, **Dan Pattir,** will be outlining the Israeli government's position on Palestinian autonomy as well as give an up-to-date view on the Israeli-Egyptian peace talks on the next Chai TV programn scheduled for Sunday, the 25th, at 11 a.m. on Channel 47. Incidentally Thornhill-Richmond Hill viewers can now get Channel 47 on the cable selectors.

TORONTO LODGE DIAMOND JUBILEE

Toronto Lodge B'nai B'rith diamond jubilee celebrations include a wine and cheese reception this Saturday, the 24th, at 8.30 p.m. at the BBYO House, 15 Hove St. This reception is partially sponsored by the Ontario government.

LZA COMMEMORATES HOLOCAUST DAY

The Labor Zionist Alliance will commemorate the 37th Holocaust Remembrance Day on Sunday, the 25th, at 10.30 a.m. at Mount Sinai Memorial Park (Wilson Ave.) at the Martyrs Monument, Independent Farband Section. Members of LZA and Achdut HaAvoda are invited to participate.

ROY McMURTRY TO BE HONORED

Ontario Attorney General Roy McMurtry is being honored by Boys Town Jerusalem at a dinner this Wednesday, the 28th, at Beth Tzedec Synagogue. For reservations, call 789-7241.

SHAAR SHALOM OFFICIAL OPENING

Sunday, May 25, is the date of the official opening of Shaar Shalom Synagogue's new building at Don Mills Road and Simonston Blvd. Keynote speaker is **Rabbi Stuart Rosenberg.** Synagogue president **Walter Shankman** will be master of ceremonies and singer **Aellta** will provide entertainment.

CONSERVATIVE SISTERHOODS

The Ontario branch of Women's League for Conservative Judaism is holding its annual koach luncheon on Wednesday, the 28th, at 12.30 at the home of **Vera Gross,** 17 Ardmore Rd. This event involves 14 sisterhoods which support the Jewish Theological Seminary in its programs to preserve and strengthen Conservative Judaism. For information, call **Sylvia Kay** at 221-1784.

ON STAGE

The Rozin and Rozen show, with a New York cast performing Jewish, Russian and gypsy songs, parody, humor and pantomime of some of the best characters from Sholom Aleichem, goes on stage this Sunday, the 25th, at 8 p.m. at Earl Haig Secondary School, 100 princess Ave. (Yonge and Sheppard). Producer is **Leon Lasarev.** You can get tickets by calling him at 630-3561.

CENTRE HOSTS THE PROVINCIAL

The Centre for Creative Living hosts The Provincial, televised live coast to coast, on Sunday, the 25th, at the Leah Posluns Theatre. Members and friends are in for a lively hour of entertainment featuring the centre choir and Doris' Musical Show. Doors open at 4.30 for showtime at 5. Then at 6.30, **Bob McLean** and **Kerrie Keane** launch a million dollar draw with 18 grand prizes and thousands of chances to win. Admission is free but you must pick up your entry tickets at the centre, 15 Hove St.

BARGAINS GALORE

Toronto B'nai B'rith Women's 30th birthday bonanza, Bazaar 80, is slated for this Wednesday, the 28th, at the Coliseum, West Annex, Exhibition Place. Doors open from 10 a.m. to 10 p.m. and you'll have your choice of a variety of food treats, auction sales (1 and 7 p.m.), bargain boutiques, games of chance and you may even be the lucky winner of the door prize — a new 1980 Chevette two-door hatchback.

Sunday, May 25, is a good day for bargain hunters too — two branches of the National Council of Jewish Women are having garage sales that day . . . Yedidot branch's sale of household items, homebaking and bric-a-brac runs from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at 19 Willowbrook Rd., Thornhill . . . the Kadima branch sale highlights new conforters, sleeping bags and jeans along with the regular garage sale goodies. That runs from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. at 50 Castleknock Rd. (Avenue Rd. and Eglinton).

JEWISH VEGETARIAN SOCIETY

The Jewish Vegetarian Society is meeting this Tuesday, the 27th at 8.30 p.m. in the Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue board room. Guest speaker **Dr. Elmira Buxton** will discuss "Meat and its Relation to Cancer." If you would like more information or want to add your name to the mailing list, call 667-3647.

SECULAR JEWISH GRADUATION

The Secular Jewish Association Sunday school's fourth annual graduation takes place this Saturday, the 24th, at the Ontario Institute for Studies in Education (OISE). This year's graduating class has 12 students whose presentations will be based on a large-scale research project they conducted during the year into the relationship of Jewish concepts to contemporary life. They will be in four related areas — "Peace, Charity, Responsibility to Self and Responsibility to Society." For more information, contact **Esther Pifko** at 226-4928.

BROTHERHOOD BREAKFAST MEETING

At the Adath Israel brotherhood breakfast and nominating meeting on Sunday, the 25th, **Jim Peterson,** Liberal MP for Willowdale, will talk about "Energy and the Canadian Economy." Services begin at 9 a.m. followed by breakfast at 9.30.

OGDEN SCHOOL REUNION

Ogden public school (formerly Phoebe St. school) invites all former students to its 125th anniversary reunion on Saturday, June 7, from 1-4 p.m. If you want to find out more about it, get in touch with principal Jack DeGroot at 363-4076.

HELP FIGHT LEUKEMIA

Sweet-Chari-Tea, the Leukemia Research Fund annual fund-raiser is set for Sunday, May 25, from 1-5 p.m. at 79 Prue Ave.

Crusade Against Leukemia's annual tag day falls on June 14 this year, and the organization is looking for volunteers willing to spend just a few hours to help make this tag day a success. Proceeds go to leukemia research programs. If you can spare some time, call 444-5555 or 494-1427.

SINGLES TAKE NOTE

At the Beth Tikvah chai group (35-55) meeting on Sunday, the 25th, stock broker **David Solomon** will talk about dealing with the stock market as a hedge against inflation. The time is 8 p.m. in the synagogue board room. For information, call **Allan Spector** at 449-5473 (days) or **Raizie Jacobson** at 222-4298 (evenings).

If you're in the mood for disco on Thursday, the 29th, join The Crowd Pleasers disco dance for singles (couples are invited too) at 8 p.m. in the King Tut Club, Roehampton Hotel, 808 Mt. Pleasant Rd. The dance is sponsored by Ahuvah chapter of Hadassah-WIZO. All proceeds go to Youth Aliyah and **Mickey Kay** is donating his services as disc jockey. Tickets at the door. For information, call 781-5682.

A singles weekend is being arranged for June 6-8 by the Jewish Camp Council, at Maple Lake Resort and Conference Centre — complete with tennis, boating, fitness classes, jogging and other camp activities. For information, call **Dody Rudson** at 924-6211.

FOR SINGLE PARENTS

North-East Jewish Single Parents Group has a busy week coming up — There's a family picnic at Earl Bales Park on Sunday, the 25th, beginning at 1 p.m. Walkathon participants attend free, for others, there's a slight charge. For information, call **Adrienne Hes** at 497-3377 or **Elleen Garber** at NEJCS at 493-8866 . . . The general meeting on Wednesday, the 28th, takes a look at "An Experience in Communication" with **Judy Filo,** consultant on adult education. That's at 8.15 p.m. at Hillcrest Public Library, 5801 Leslie St.

SENIORS EVENTS

At the Wagman Centre — The Sunday afternoon program on the 25th, from 3-4 features Toronto Jewish Folk Choir conducted by **Melvin Isen** . . . The Jewish Ethics, Philosophy and Law lecture series on Monday, the 26th, will discuss "**Sephardim: Their Different Religious Customs**" with **Rabbi Amram Assayag** of Petah Tikva Congregation. That is also from 3-4 p.m. . . . And on Tuesday, the 27th, the evening concert series presents the Swinging Eights Square Dance Group directed by **Herb Pollitt.** The time is 7:30-8.30.

On Monday, the 26th, the North-East Jewish Seniors Club is meeting in the lobby of the Toronto Stock Exchange at 1.30 p.m. for a tour and explanation of how the stock exchange functions. The address is 234 Bay St.

Beth Emeth Bais Yehuda Friendship Club general meeting on Sunday, May 25, features humorist **Nat Garnick.** The time is 1 p.m. at the synagogue. If you want to know more about it, call **Charles Cohen** at 741-4462.

The Workmen's Circle Social Club meets on Tuesday, the 27th at noon for lunch and entertainment by humorist **Philip Cohen,** singer **Abie Futerman,** violinist **Daniel Pomerantz** and singer-pianist **Lucy Pomerantz.** The meeting takes place at 471 Lawrence Ave. W. For information, phone **Shirley Grotell** at 222-7727.

Tuesday, the 27th, is also the date of the Beth Tzedec Friendship Club + 50 musicale luncheon with guest artist **Ruth Slater.** That's at 12.15 and reservations are a must. Call 781-3511.

VISITING TORONTO

Simcha Flapan, editor of New Outlook, is visiting Toronto this week, from May 25-30, under the auspices of Friends of Pioneering Israel and during his stay here is meeting with various groups. Flapan is the organizer of the New Outlook conference on peace in the Middle East held in Washington recently and is the author of several books on the Middle East. For more information, contact **J. L. Roth** at 635-9977 or 789-4825.

TECHNION REGIONAL DIRECTOR

Shimon Arbel

The Toronto chapter of the Canadian Technion Society-Israel Institute of Technology has named **Shimon Arbel** (Albert) the new regional executive director. A native Hamiltonian, Arbel received his BA and MA degrees cum laude in the department of Jewish studies of the Hebrew University and was a lecturer and researcher in Jerusalem for the World Zionist Organization and Israeli Ministry of Absorption. He succeeds **Col. Shaul Afek** who is returning to Israel in July at the completion of his term of service in Canada.

SYNAGOGUE ELECTIONS

Louis Zeifman has been re-elected president of Shaarei Shomayim Synagogue and newly-elected officers for the term of 1980-81 are vice-presidents **Dr. Marvin Gerstein** and **Dr. Bernard Green;** treasurer, **Benny Stark;** secretary **Harold Spring;** parnass, **Sydney Greenstein;** gabbai, **Harvey Brenman,** and honorary treasurer **Joseph Tanenbaum** . . . Beth Tikvah's new slate is headed by president **Gersh Sone** along with vice-presidents **Robert Cohen, Benjamin Hayeems** and **Marsha Cohen;** secretary, **Joe Dubrofsky** and treasurer **Norman Rosenberg.** Immediate past president is **Murray Armel.**

PRESIDENT OF EZRATH NASHIM

After serving for some years as **Rabbinit Sarah Herzog's** personal choice as vice-president of Ezrath Nashim, the Jerusalem health centre, **Mildred Devor** has been elected its president. Originally from Toronto where she served as a national vice-president of Canadian Hadassah-WIZO and as chairman of the Federation of Jewish Women's Organizations, Mrs. Devor made aliyah 10 years ago. She is presently a member of the executive of World WIZO and president of the Canadian WIZO Committee resident in Israel. For the past eight years, Mrs. Devor has presided over the hospital's volunteer chapter, Hug Yovel.

BONDS ASSOCIATE CHAIRMAN

Esther Sarick

Lawrence Shankman, general chairman of State of Israel Bonds, Toronto, has announced the appointment of **Esther Sarick** as associate chairman of Toronto's Bond campaign. Toronto born and educated, Mrs. Sarick was first associated with Israel Bonds 30 years ago, when she picked one up for her mother at an American Bond office, and her involvement has continued ever since. She was Pioneer Women's Israel Bond chairman, its Israel Bond honoree in 1978 and has served on the women's executive of Israel Bonds. Mrs. Sarick has made 25 trips to Israel since her first visit with her husband Sam in 1968.

Montreal JVS says jobs are hard to find

MONTREAL —

The decline in Jewish immigration into Montreal and the tightened job market are both reflected in the 1979/80 annual report of Dr. Alfred Feintuch, executive director of Jewish Vocational Service.

JVS' success in finding jobs for immigrant and local applicants alike declined significantly during the year, the report shows.

Of the nearly 3,000 persons who sought employment, fewer than one-third --- 888 --- found jobs through JVS services. In 1978/79, 1,109 of 2,934 who sought jobs through JVS were placed whereas the same figures for 1979/80 were 888 out of 2,977 applicants.

"Continuing high unemployment, the increasing demand for bilingual employees, and the diminishing number of small businesses, all added to our difficulties in locating satisfactory employment for the large number of people who applied for our help," reported Dr. Feintuch.

Kiev Jews launch protest against cuts in emigration

LONDON [JCNS] —

About 2,000 Jewish families in Kiev, the capital of the Ukrainian republic, mounted a massive protest against cuts in Jewish emigration, arbitrarily imposed by the Soviet authorities.

A letter, signed by five Kiev activists, sent to Moscow, spoke of the intimidation by armed police of representatives of Kiev Refuseniks when they attempted to visit Moscow to demand a review of the cuts.

Apparently, some 20,000 complaints were lodged against the cuts and several delegations formed to discuss the issue with the Kiev authorities.

The Soviet cities, where the cuts in emigration have been imposed with particular strictness, include Kiev, Kharkov and Odessa in the Ukraine, and Kishinev and Tashkent, the capitals respectively of Moldavia and Uzbekistan.

Iranian Jews face economic charges

JERUSALEM [JCNS] —

There is renewed concern here about the situation of Iran's Jewish community.

In recent weeks, several dozen Jews have been detained on various economic charges but it appears that actions against Jews are not taken because of their community affiliations but because of their past economic and business interests.

There is acute concern for four members of a prominent Jewish family named Borukhims, who owned a large hotel chain. They are accused of being Israeli and American spies. Two brothers managed to leave the country but the 80-year-old father, Ishaq Borukhim, is understood to have returned to Teheran from the U.S. when he learned that the Iranians would not allow his son Daoud to depart.

More meetings among execs urged by JCC's Sid Brail

TORONTO —

Sid Brail, executive director of the Jewish Community Centre of Toronto, has just returned from the Jewish Welfare Board biennial convention in Los Angeles, and he said that after meeting with directors of JCCs and YMHAs from across Canada it was realized that "there is a need for us to get together more often."

"The Canadian group has a real concern," Brail said. "We feel there's a real advantage in coming together and we want to put together a conference for the leadership of JCCs on the subject of federal funding."

Brail said the Canadians may have a lot more in common than they ever realized and that there may be a lot gained from such meetings.

He said that at the biennial the JCC was in a much better position to give than to receive. "You could take all the other centres in Canada — except for Montreal — and that would equal what we're doing."

He said also that the directors from the centres in Vancouver, Calgary, Edmonton, Winnipeg, Toronto and Hamilton agreed that if a person relocates from one of those cities to another city in the group his or her membership at the JCC or YMHA should be accepted in the new city.

There were more than 900 lay and professional workers from 44 Jewish community centres, Ys, camps and military communities at the biennial. Brail said it provided a good opportunity for the lay and professional staff to come together and explore common problems. "We deal with problems, both local and international," he said.

During the four-day meeting, Brail presented a paper on how to prepare for board meetings. Also, Marty Mendelow, of the Toronto JCC presented a paper on the JCC-Toronto Jewish Congress relationship.

Another participant from Toronto, H. Max Swartz, received an award on behalf of the JCC for "outstanding accomplishments in communications."

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A scene from Gina Blumenfeld's production about the Holocaust.

"In Dark Places: Remembering the Holocaust"

Child of survivors film deals with tragedy

By SUSAN LAZARUS

MONTREAL — Although Gina Blumenfeld grew up and works in Los Angeles, the 33-year old producer of the hour long film **In Dark Places: Remembering the Holocaust** does not fit the stereotype of a Hollywood mogul.

"I consider it a misnomer to call me a filmaker," Miss Blumenfeld told The Canadian Jewish News "what I really am is a fund/raiser who gets to make movies once in a while."

Even more important to Miss Blumenfeld than deciding whether she is a fund raiser or a filmaker is dealing with what she grew up as: the child of Holocaust survivors. Only in the past few years did she begin exploring what it meant in her life to have parents who survived the horrors of the concentration camp. Out of these explorations the idea for her film was born.

"For many years I never felt that the Holocaust had anything to do with me," said Blumenfeld, who was here to present a showing of the film at the Jewish Public Library. "I always knew my parents were survivors, but they never really dealt with it verbally and I, perhaps out of fear, never pursued the subject.

"It was difficult growing up in the United States, however, she added. "I always felt different from my friends and was uneasy about the fact that I lived in a European rather than an American environment."

According to Blumenfeld, it is both unfair and impossible to make generalizations either about survivors or their children. She does admit, however, that certain generalizations are impossible to avoid.

"Every survivor family is as different as the individuals within it," she stressed. "The only generalization I feel safe to make is all survivor children are considered gifts to their parents. A lot is expected of us — to do certain things and to live our lives in certain ways."

In Dark Places, Miss Blumenfeld said, is an attempt to "make a film about the memory of the historical tragedy of the Holocaust — about how we remember such an experience-and why we might try and forget."

The 55-minute educatic al movie cost $50,000 ("cheap by film-making standards") and took almost three years to complete. It is geared for anyone over the age of 13 and is being distributed to schools, Jewish and non-Jewish organizations and community centres. The film is always followed by a discussion, which Blumenfeld has frequently participated in.

"As far as I know, this is the first film that deals with the Holocaust, not in terms of the history but in terms of survivors and their children. One ten-minute segment in it is the showing of part of a play Survivors, created and performed by the New Artef Players," Blumenfeld noted.

One of the most difficult aspects of producing the movie, says Blumenfeld, was interviewing her mother Leah (her father died when she was 15) at length about her experiences.

"My mother was surprised but very supportive of my desire to make the movie," she explained. "It was difficult dealing with her at length about such a painful and horrendous part of her life but listening to her made me see her in a completely new light — I could visualize her at 15, not having her family. Understanding what she had lived through, I began to see things in a new light.

"It is important that the Holocaust be taught and discussed and never forgotten or trivialized," she emphasized. "There are certain moral and political issues that must be dealt with.

"I discovered through making this film that although man is capable of incredible evil, he is also capable of great heroism.

"That the survivors came through this terrible cataclysm and contrnued to want to be Jews and to raise their children as Jews and as good moral people is a lesson to us all."

Vicious circle exists between low aliya and high yerida

MONTREAL — A vicious cycle exists between low aliya and high yerida, says the director of the British and Canadian desk of the World Zionist Organization in Jerusalem.

Rabbi Abraham J. Ehrlich says Israelis cannot be blamed for emigrating when they see that more North American Jews are not willing to make some personal sacrifice themselves and live in Israel.

Said he: "There is a feeling among yordim that they can not be expected to keep the fortress alone forever so that North Americans can send their children there for a vacation."

The situation is worsened because "for every Israeli who emigrates to Canada, a Canadian who was thinking of making aliya is discouraged."

Ehrlich stressed that it is more people not more money thart Israel needs from the Diaspora.

"All the money we get from the Diaspora only amounts to about 5% of Israel's total budget. If we lost that money we might have to make do with a few less frills. But if we don't get more people we can't exist."

Ehrlich repeated Israeli Ambassador to Egypt, Eliyahu Ben-Elissar's warning that "if Israel does not receive one million more olim within the next 10 years, the country will be lost without a single gunshot being fired."

Ehrlich was in Montreal as part of a tour of Canada, taking in Halifax, Toronto, Winnipeg, Edmonton and Vancouver. This was his first trip to Canada since taking over the Canadian desk of WIZO two years ago.

There is a sense of resignation among some young Israelis to Israel's remaining a small country and the Arab-Jewish ratio of the population, even within the Green Lines, becoming lower, said Ehrlich.

Ehrlich considers himself fortunate to be in charge of the British and Canadian Zionists Federations which he described as two of the better organized in the world, comparing perhaps only with South Africa and Australia.

Canada, however, has "a long way to go to catch up" to Britain's high rate of aliya and low number of returnees, he said. Britain, with a Jewish population of about 400,000, sent 1,300 olim last year, compared to Canada's 400, about half of whom were returning Israelis. More British olim stay in Israel than Canadians, he said.

Supports women rabbis

NEW YORK — By a vote of 156 - 115, the Rabbinical Assembly Council has gone on record as "supporting the ordination of women as rabbis — without putting pressure on the Jewish Theological Seminary (JST)."

The vote took place after a hot six-hour debate lasting one afternoon and one morning at last week's 80th annual convention of the assembly at the Concord Hotel in Kiamesha Lake, N.Y.

According to Elaine Kahn and her husband, Lawrence Trester, both leading voices in GROW (Group for Rabbinical Ordination of Women), the ordination of women as rabbis was "the single most controversial issue of the convention."

"And despite the addendum asking for no pressure on JTS," remarked both Kahn and Troster to The CJN, "the fact is that JYS is now put in a position where it will have to act."

The vote marks a hard-won victory in GROW's uphill battle for the immediate admission of women to JTS, the rabbinical school of Conservative Judaism. Started first in February 1979, GROW has working groups in Los Angeles, Washington and Jerusalem, according to Kahn.

About 700 persons from all over North and South America, Mexico and Europe attended the convention. Conservative rabbis from Halifax, Vancouver, Montreal, Toronto, Hamilton and London, Ont., were present.

[Marlo Fieldstone photo]

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Erika Bloch [r], Youth Aliyah co-ordinating chairman, chats with guest speaker Barbara Amiel at recent Friends of Youth Aliyah luncheon sponsored by Hadassah-WIZO.

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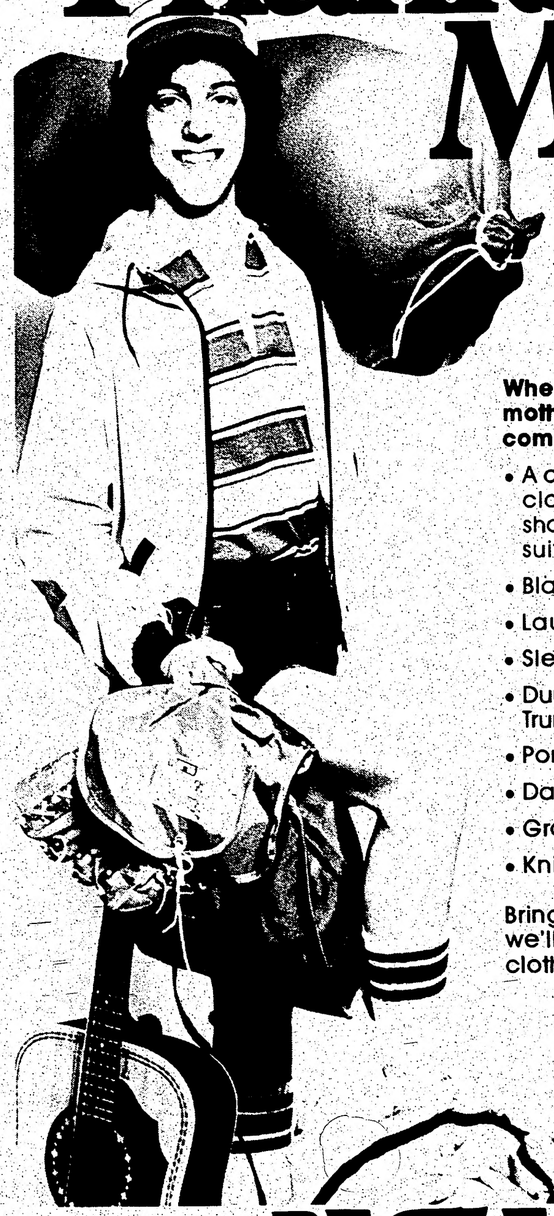

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Organizations and People

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By RABBI MEIR GOTTESMAN

Parshat Naso

V'yihiyu aniyim bnai valtecha. . . . And let poor people be like members of your household. . . ,

People can give you everything but a good name—that you earn only by your own hard work.

The Maurer Rav used to bring home two poor guests each Friday night to sit at his table. One Friday night he noticed a third visitor who had no place to eat, and invited him home. He was afraid, though, that his wife wouldn't appreciate this unexpected company, and asked him to wait outside.

He approached his wife and asked: "I met a **Baal Shem**, a master of the name, outside, may I invite him to join us?" "Of course," she answered.

The guest, who was a coarse person, sat down and noisily gluttoned everything. The wife watched his crude behavior suspiciously, and finally confronted her husband afterwards. "Tell me the truth, is he really a Master of the Name?"

"Of course," the rabbi answered, "he is the master of the name that we will have in the community. If we treat him kindly, we will have a good name—and if poorly, that name will also get around."

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A good heart is the most precious gift a Jew can have. It doesn't matter whether you're rich, educated, or the simplest worker. If you are kind to others and caring, then you are a prince.

Consider . . . King Solomon said: "**Tzadik ochel l'sova nafsho. . . .** A righteous person eats to satisfy his soul, but the stomach of the wicked is empty. . . ." Why should a tzadik eat so much? And how many wicked people deny themselves a good meal?

But it shows what a good or bad heart can do. A poor person comes to a tzadik as a guest. He's shy to eat too much, not to appear a glutton. What does a tzadik do? He himself eats more than usual, he stuffs himself—just so that the guest can eat at peace, without embarrassment.

But the wicked. The whole time they eat plenty, but when a poor guest comes, they suddenly become ascetics. They pick at their food, so that the poor person should also not overeat.

It's so easy to fool other people when they need help. You don't have the money, you just gave, you don't believe in the cause. Who can argue? But G-d knows everything. G d judges the heart, and the love, and the penny of a pauper is sometimes more praised in Heaven than the hundred of a titan.

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It is better to be an honest pauper, than to be wealthy by questionable means.

When he was already an old man, and world reknowned for his piety and learning, the brilliant scholar, Rabbi Akiva Eiger sent a letter to a friend of his living in a small town asking if he could try to see if the position of bathhouse keeper was available, so that he could make an honest living at least the last few years of his life.

Our rabbis praised good, honest labor, whatever it was:

"Flay carcasses in the market, get paid, and don't say I'm a **Kohain**, or too great a man for such work. . . ." (Pesachim 113)

"Rabbi Yehudah said: 'Whoever doesn't teach his son a trade, teaches him thievery.' " (Kedushin 12)

"Great is labor, for the Shechina did not rest on Israel until they labored." (Medrash Gadol 14)

" 'And therefore choose life'—this refers to skilled work."

But work alone is not enough. We must share what we have with those less fortunate, show love, show caring, show the Image of G-d. Shabbat Shalom.

Israel Ambassador Yeshayahu Anug and Minister of Trade, Industry and Commerce Herb Gray at an Ottawa UJA public service dinner.

[Leo Hausman photo]

BONDS RECEPTION

A new leadership cocktail reception was held by the State of Israel Bonds at the Yaffe residence. From left: Stan Budd, Gerald Yaffe, Dan Pattir, Elaine Yaffe and Seymour Schwartz.

U.S. invincibility seen fading in world's eyes

By DAVID MARIGOLD

OTTAWA -- The United States' image of unchallenged supremacy and ability to defend its allies is seen to be weakening in the eyes of the world, according to Israel ambassador Yeshayahu Anug.

"The freedom of Western civilization is - under the circumstances - impossible to contemplate without the restoration of U.S. prestige and convincing leadership, without the re-enhanced perception of U.S. military supremacy and economic invulnerability," he declared.

Ambassador Anug spoke bluntly but with ambassadorial reticence at the annual dinner of the public service division of the United Jewish Appeal. Some 220 federal civil servants, representing about 25% of the total Jewish public servants in Ottawa, attended the event held at the Jewish Community Centre. Herb Gray, minister of industry, trade and commerce and Robert Kaplan, solicitor-general of Canada were guests of honour.

Anug emphasized that Western countries can only hope to halt Soviet influence in the Middle East by working closely together and presenting a united front. Separately they have no independent future, he said.

"The very familiar and understandable national aspiration, everywhere in the West, to carry out fully independent and often uncoordinated foreign policies is not a realistic prescription," he said.

He asked how far Europe could go in acquiescing with Arab irrationality in a desperate attempt to sustain the vital flow of oil and business from Arab oil-producing countries. According to Anug, the Council of Europe's recent condemnation of the Camp David agreement was "an irresponsible act of utilitarian expediency that may turn against the interest of its authors."

Anug said also that the difficulties experienced by Israel and Egypt over the interpretation of the Camp David agreement on the issue of Palestinian autonomy could be overcome if they were not dominated by Saudi abstinacy and the threat by pro-Western Arab countries to use the oil weapon. "Unfortunately, this weapon is invoked not for obtaining better peace terms for the Palestinians, but in order to support the Russian-backed PLO and to undermine the whole peace process itself," he said.

"If these Arab countries will continue promoting the representatives of terrorism in the futile hope that they will not turn against them, the consequences for them and for the West could be more immediate in terms of internal destabilization that the danger of Israel and Egypt. Reliance on Arab oil and on Arab business will then become as reliable and safe as reliance on Iranian oil and business is today."

Anug concluded that Israel and Egypt would not allow the tragedy of the abortive American attempt to rescue U.S. hostages in Iran weaken their resolve to build peace in the Middle East, despite all regional odds.

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McMurtry honored

TORONTO — R. Roy McMurtry, attorney-general and solicitor-general for the province of Ontario, will be the guest of honor at a dinner sponsored by the Canadian Friends of Boys Town Jerusalem on Wednesday, May 28 at Beth Tzedec Synagogue.

McMurtry recently paid a private visit to Israel at which time he toured Boys Town. He was accompanied on the trip by his mother, Mrs. Elizabeth McMurtry, Senator Nathan Nurgitz of Winnipeg and other friends.

The dinner is being held to raise funds for the Boys Town Big Brother program which McMurtry plans to link with the Big Brother movement in Toronto, of which he is honorary chairman.

Boys Town Jerusalem is an educational institution with an enrolment of 1,400 students from a multitude of backgrounds, 70% of Sephardic origin. Its program is directed towards solving social problems, with an outreach program involving some 250 senior students working voluntarily in homes in underprivileged neighborhoods. Boys Town's Big Brothers befriend 9-11 year old youngsters, helping them with school work and personal problems.

McMurtry has assumed a leading role in Toronto educational efforts directed at developing responsibility and leadership among young people. He believes in activating voluntary civic groups.

Barry R. Appleby is dinner chairman and J. Barry Rotenberg is chairman of the Toronto Committee of Canadian Friends of Boys Town Jerusalem. National President is Larry Rollingher of Edmonton and Eric Exton is board chariman.

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Organizations and People

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Laurena Steinberg

The Career Women's Division met last week to plan the 1980 program. Chairman **HARRIET MORTON** tells me that a number of new and famijliar faces attended, representing a cross-section of professions. **SUSAN WEIKERS,** National Chairman of the Career Women's Division, flew in from Baltimore and inspired the group with a sensitive and stimulating message. Ms. Weikers pointed out, "There is a limit to what you can buy, but there is no limit to how many Bonds you can sell. You have countless numbers of friends and associates who have never invested in Israel Bonds and several others who do purchase Bonds, but are in the position to buy at higher levels." The group left the meeting with added incentive, formulating lists of their respective people to participate in the Career Women's Division.

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Chairman **STAN BUDD** and **STEVEN LENDE** are co-hosting a New Leadership Cocktail Reception on Tuesday evening, June 10th at Stan's home, 37 Fairway Heights in Thornhill. **DR. YOSEF N. LAMDAN,** Security Council Advisor to UN Ambassador **YEHUDA BLUM**, will be the distinguished guest speaker.

Back in time to attend the reception is Chairman **PAUL SLAVENS** and his contingent of 16 from the 10-day New Leadership Mission to Israel. We'll have lots to tell you just as soon as they recuperate from the non-stop excitement of meeting with government officials and VIP tours.

Co-chairmen **SEYMOUR SCHWARTZ** and **STAN BUDD** are scheduling the next New Leadership Executive meeting for Tuesday evening, May 27th, 7.30 p.m. at the Bond office.

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In a special message to leaders of Toronto Sisterhoods and other organizations, **LEONA FINKLER**, Chairman of our Women's Division observed: "We Jews are a very compassionate people. We respond most generously in times of emergency. The most productive years for Bonds were 1967 and 1973, the years of war emergencies. The question arises — what price are we prepared to pay for peace emergencies? What value do we set on the preservation of human life? How much do we really care? When we bring a child into this world, we surround it with love and tender care and provide for its needs and future. The State of Israel is ours — our child, reborn from the ashes of six million. We watched it grow and expand. Various ethnic groups from totally different backgrounds were united by a common dream — a homeland. We watched the emergence of a new life. Its dynamism, its tenacity and strength brought forth the glow of peace. Thank God, lives are being preserved and we care very deeply, but how do we express it? I believe that the measure of our concern is determined by the extent of our involvement. Please get involved and call others to do the same. Our motto this year is 'Buy a Bond and sell a Bond. Add another link to the chain of Bond buyers.' Israel is counting on all of us."

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The Council of Organizations and Landsmanshaften held an executive meeting and as usual, almost every member attended. Chairman **HARRY WEINSTOCK** tells me that every landsmanshaft and organization in Toronto is being approached to hold a 1980 Bond function to provide loan dollars for Israel and that he will not take "no" for an answer. Those societies that have so far submitted a "yes" response are: **APTER FRIENDLY, CHENSTOCHOWER, IVANSKER, KELTZTER STASHIVER, STOPNITZER, WIERZBNIKER, ZAGLEMBIER** and **LABOUR ZIONIST ALLIANCE** and its branches. The several landsmanshaften in the "definitely maybe" category, are discussing the extent of involvement at their respective executive meetings. We'll keep you informed as they join the "yes" ranks.

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Welcome aboard, **MURRAY WOLFMAN.** We congratulate you on your appointment at the Bond Office working with **LAZAR LIFSCHITZ** in the Synagogue Division.

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A special concert is in the planning for Tuesday, September 16th at Beth Tzedec when **ARIE BRAUN**, Chief Cantor of Israel's Armed forces, will grace us with his world-renowned vocal talents. The eloquent **RABBI SIDNEY SHOHAM** of Montreal, National Chairman of the Canadian Rabbinic Cabinet, will be on hand as our guest speaker. Program Chairman **ALEX EISEN** advises us to reserve the date on our calendars now for a most entertaining evening. Alex's committee includes **MIKE FELDMAN, ELI KIRSHBLUM, ESTHER SARICK,** and **RALPH SNOW.**

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Watch the Chai Show on Sunday morning, May 25th at 11 a.m. for the interview with **DAN PATTIR, PRIME MINISTER BEGIN'S** Advisor on Press and Public Affairs. Host **SHIRLEY SOLOMON** quizzed him while he was in town to address recent Bond receptions. Turn your dial to Channel 47, Cable 4.

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The 1980 International Leadership conference of Israel Bonds will be held in Mexico City, September 4th to 7th. Delegates can make arrangements to come a few days earlier or stay longer. Please inform the Bond Office if you plan to attend.

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The monthly meeting for the Israel Bond Executive will be held on Wednesday, May 28th, 7.30 p.m. at the Bond Office. Highlighted on the agenda is "Generation Fever" to promote the involvement of our members' sons and daughters in Bond activities. I am confident that the idea will catch on and might even become highly contagious.

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Presidential candidate would recognize Jerusalem as site of Israel's capital city

NEW YORK —

Independent presidential candidate John Anderson told a gathering of some 100 Jewish leaders here that if elected President he "would be prepared to recognize Jerusalem as the capital of Israel and move our embassy to Jerusalem at the conclusion of the peacemaking process."

Addressing the Conference of Presidents of Major American Jewish Organizations, Anderson was sharply critical of the Carter administration's Mideast policy, declaring that "unlike the incumbent administration I would not fear to label Israel a friend and an ally." He said he would have an American Mideast policy that would demonstrate through action and deed, an appreciation of Israel's key strategic and political position and its importance to U.S. interests.

Expressing his opposition to the establishment of a Palestinian state, Anderson said: "I support the idea of Palestinian rights embodied in the Camp David accords," but "I oppose the idea of a Palestinian state between the West Bank and Jordan — a state that can only be a dagger aimed at the heart of Israel and a potential Soviet base in the heartland of the Mideast. Instead, we should look to Jordan as the major potential for a solution to the Palestinian question."

Anderson accused the Carter Mideast policy of being "a record of false starts, false promises and false hopes." He charged the administration with "off-again, on-again flirtation with the PLO."

He pledged that as President he "would not deal with the PLO unless it repudiated terrorism, explicitly recognized Israel's right to exist, and accepted UN Resolution 242." Even then, he said, "I would proceed with caution."

On the controversial issue of Israeli settlements in the administered territories, Anderson said he opposed the Carter administration's approach which terms the settlements "illegal" and "an obstacle to peace." To do so, Anderson declared, "is to prejudge and to compromise negotiations from the outset — the administration's statements have created an obstacle to peace."

As for the future negotiations in the Mideast, Anderson said that the U.S. should draw Saudi Arabia and Jordan into the peacemaking process and make clear to them that this should be done in the framework of the Camp David accords. He claimed that "American policies should be conducted with the understanding that a solution to the Palestinian problem will not resolve the energy crisis, the instability of oil producers, the turmoil of the Persian Gulf, the plight of hostages in Iran or the Soviet occupation of Afghanistan."

Anderson's remarks in support of Israel were received warmly by those present at the meeting. A few of the Jewish leaders pointed out after the meeting that Anderson's Mideast views as expressed today are consistent with his 20-year record of support of Israel in Congress.

Name Herman BB's associate funds director

WASHINGTON —

Irving Herman of Evanston, Ill., and formerly of Toronto, managing director of the Illinois fundraising firm bearing his name, has been appointed associate director of development for B'nai B'rith International, Dr. Daniel Thursz, executive vice-president has announced.

Thursz said that Herman, who will work out of Washington, will concentrate on expanding B'nai B'rith's donor clubs and work in close collaboration with director of development Sidney Closter in other areas as well.

Prior to forming his own firm in 1973, Herman was a senior development director for Brandeis University and executive director of the Central States region of the Jewish Theological Seminary of America.

Herman has also been a public relations practitioner for many years, serving as founder and managing director of Information Associates since 1958. Before that, he was public relations director for Warner Brothers Pictures and United Artists Corporation in Toronto.

He is an accredited member of the Public Relations Society of America and its counselor section, an accredited counselor of the Canadian Public Relations Society, and a member of the National Society of Fund Raising Executives.

Herman has been involved with B'nai B'rith since 1940, when, as a teenager, he joined the organization's youth group. Subsequently, he became program director of Camp B'nai B'rith in Ontario and was a member of four adult lodges in Toronto.

Israelis join CLC meet

By ABRAHAM ARNOLD

WINNIPEG —

Fraternal delegates from Israel and Egypt participated in the recent national convention of Canadian Labor Congress in Winnipeg. It was the second time since the Camp David Peace talks that Israeli and Egyptian labor representatives have shared a platform.

The Israeli delegates were Moshe Bancover, a Histadrut official in Israel, and Shimon Avizemer, Histadrut's North American representative. The Egyptian was Saad Ahmed, president of the General Federation of Labor in Egypt.

At a press conference, the Middle East delegates showed genuine though restrained camaraderie with positive comments about the friendly relationship developing between the two countries.

At one point a reporter asked Ahmed if, during the past conflicts between Egypt and Israel, international union solidarity took second place to national interests.

Ahmed admitted, through an interpreter, that patriotism usually "prevailed in the hearts and minds of our workers during times of crisis. It is an unfortunate but natural fact that we felt we had to protect ourselves from infiltration."

This caused a momentary strained atmosphere at the press conference.

The tension eased however when Ahmed, smiling, added: "But that is all past. Now we are only concerned with peace and unity and understanding between our two nations."

Moshe Bancover echoed the sentiments of the Egyptian delegate.

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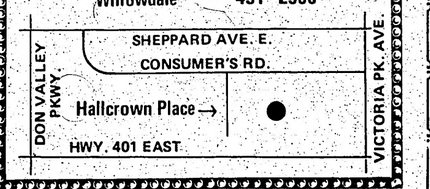

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EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES

Day school enrolment greater than in supplementary schools

Educator says non-commitment still a major problem

By DAVID BIRKAN

TORONTO —
The paradox of North American Jewish education makes it necessary for schools to reach out for pupils from non-committed homes to ensure their link to the community. So veteran educator Alvin Schiff told an audience of 60 at a Canadian Jewish Congress plenary workshop.

Schiff, executive vice-president of New York City's Board of Jewish Education, said that while total enrolment at all Jewish schools in North America dropped 54% in about 20 years, attendance at day schools nearly doubled. "In 1962, 600,000 students were enrolled across Canada and the U.S., of whom 60,000 were in day schools. In 1980, enrolment was down to 360,000 but of these, 110,000 were at day schools."

He added that in this academic year, his area of administration saw a landmark phenomenon in which day school attendance for the first time exceeded that of supplementary schools.

"The problem is," he said, "that half of the children in the day schools come from minimally committed Jewish homes, as do most children in supplementary schools."

Schiff said that various approaches have to be tailored to maximize the Jewishness of the environment for these children, both inside and outside the schools. "In all studies made correlating commitment with education, one implication stands out above all--that schools bring little influence to bear on a child's achievement that is independent of his background and social contacts," said Schiff.

Day schools provide a significant period of time to create an environment of Jewish life and commitment, he said. But classroom hours must be supplemented with a variety of extra-curricular programs, such as weekend Shabbatons, study sessions in Israel, summer camps, and so forth. "Teachers must present eumulative adult models" to their pupils.

"We must also impact the homes of these children, and get the parents involved."

Schiff said this involved the formulation of a "whole array of strategies" through the schools and synagogues to motivate parents. Teachers, principals, rabbis and administrators will have to be trained to reach the home, he added.

Schiff said the co-operation and encouragement of both spouses would have to be enlisted. "If one spouse is indifferent or negative, the family as a unit fails to respond adequately," he pointed out. In the case of one-parent families, a "big-brother" type of program would have to be developed to meet children's role-modeling needs.

Among the ways families could participate together would be through chavurahs, family retreats.

Schiff urged that supplementary schools expand their number of teaching hours and organize their pupils' leisure time to receive more Jewish education in the fullest sense of the word. He suggested that one week per month could be eliminated, if necessary, from classroom time to allow pupils to catch up with the otherwise distracting essentials like dentists' appointments.

At the same time, a Shabbaton from Friday evening until Sunday afternoon could be instituted. "In this way, all pupils will participate eight to 10 times a year, in an intensive weekend experience, the total cumulative hours missed in school. Between 200 and 300 hours of total Jewish immersion can replace 40 to 60 hours of classroom activity.

"But much more that this advantage is the salutary effect that the weekend leisure time program would have on the knowledge and Jewish psyche of the participants," said Schiff.

He also advised that more attention be given to the needs of the perceptually handicapped and of the above-average students, who make up more that 20% in any classroom. "We often fail to challenge our bright students sufficiently, and we are just beginning to recognize the needs of the learning disabled."

Panelist Rosa Finestone, principal of Montreal's Solomon Schechter School, reaffirmed the need for increased parent-teacher co-operation in teaching. She also emphasized the educational possibilities offered by the state of Israel in the way of motivation, summer camps and academic sessions.

Panelist Rabbi Yaacov Kaploun, education director of Ottawa's Hillel Academy, emphasized the need for a traditional Jewish education. "Teach the children Torah and mitzvot," he said, "and they will teach the adults."

Rabbi Irwin Witty, vice-president of the Toronto Board of Jewish Education, introduced the guest speaker. Moderator was Ralph Shiff.

Bialik and Eitz Chaim live side by side, co-operate, practice different ideologies

TORONTO —
The schools are just a hop and a skip apart, but their educational philosophies couldn't be more dissimilar.

Eitz Chaim Schools and Bialik Hebrew Day School have been neighbors for years, located off Bathurst St. and separated by Viewmount Ave. Eitz Chaim, which also has a Willowdale branch, is slightly larger with a total of 750 students from grades 1 to 9 and 150 pre-schoolers. Bialik, which encompasses the same grades, has 550 students.

Bayla Chaikof, assistant principal of Bialik quickly points out that "both schools enjoy a great deal of co-operation and reciprocate by sharing typing services and school resources on a regular basis."

Eitz Chaim, which is part of Torah Umesorah, a national network of Orthodox schools across North America, was founded 65 years ago in Toronto as an evening school on D'Arcy Ave. In 1948 it became a day school, and, with the migration of Jews northward, took up new premises on Viewmount Ave. in 1959. Nine years ago, the branch on Patricia Ave. opened.

"Our efforts are directed not only to educate, but to mould well-rounded personalities, fully committed to the Torah way of life," says Rabbi Shlomo Jakobovits, general studies principal of Eitz Chaim.

Underlying the school's response to communal and individual achievement is the constant awareness that the student's contribution is offered in order to serve God, a tenet outlined in Eitz Chaim's philosophy and curriculum brochure prepared by Rabbi Shnayer K. Weinberg, Hebrew studies principal.

Following strict Orthodox guidelines, boys and girls study in separate premises after grade 3. Girls, who mujst wear a plaid uniform, attend the Viewmount branch. Boys don't require uniforms and study at the Willowdale site.

The Hebrew program differs as well. Boys study classical Jewish texts, Rashi and other commentaries, as well as laws and customs in English, so that they absorb the material "at their highest intellectual and spiritual level," says Jakobovits. Girls study similar texts in less depth and are instructed mainly in Hebrew.

Both learn Hebrew language, grammar and Jewish history from creation to contemporary times.

Adds Rabbi Jakobovits: "Both men and women on our Hebrew studies staff are appointed for their extensive Torah knowledge, their high teaching standards, and for their ability to inspire in their students an appreciation and love of Torah values and commitment."

Upon graduation, boys either attend Ner Israel Yeshiva or Or Chaim Yeshiva; the girls, Beth Jacob or Ulpanat Orot.

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Founded 18 years ago, Bialik, which is the ideological child of the Labor Zionist movement, attempts to accommodate the broadest spectrum of Jewish affiliation, says Bayla Chaikof, assistant principal. "Orthodox students wearing kipot feel equally comfortable here," she added, "even though they are numerically in the minority." It also encompasses every socio-economic group.

The school's statement of philosophy reads as follows: "Bialik believes it's essential to maintain our Jewish identity through a knowledge of and appreciation for our Jewish heritage. It recognizes the intrinsic values of the Hebrew and Yiddish languages and uses them as a major means for teaching our culture, traditions, morals and ethics."

A unique aspect of Bialik is its emphasis on Yiddish, which is compulsory as of grade 3. "We believe Yiddish to be a vital link with our past," she stated.

Hebrew language is also of high priority, with immersion starting as early as grade 1. By grade 2, only Hebrew is spoken in class.

Adds Mrs. Chaikof: "Educators try to integrate general and Hebrew programs wherever possible. When students study Greek history, they will also learn about Jewish lifestyle during Greek times." The school's aim is to teach a whole child — not just a half-general and half-Hebrew student, she explains.

Holidays and celebrations are a focal point of Bialik's curriculum, as is a love for Zionism. Study of the Holocaust is also stressed and is discussed with equal ease in Yiddish and English.

Many Bialik graduates continue their Jewish education at the Community Hebrew Academy of Toronto (CHAT).

Beth Jacob school stresses heritage

TORONTO —
Beth Jacob High School offers a comprehensive education for girls, in an intensely Jewish atmosphere. The school's 19 teachers provide an individual-oriented program for students who come from a variety of backgrounds.

According to principal Rabbi J. Stefansky, the emphasis here is on reason. An aura of calm permeates as students make their way to classes.

Rabbi Stefansky, himself, exudes a calm wisdom. He chooses his words deliberately, almost painstakingly, as he attempts to define the role of a Jewish school in a increasingly complex society:

"We try to give a broad basis for understanding the role of Jewish women. . . It is the woman who is the most important component of the family. She guides and maintains this building block of the Jewish nation. A girl comes in to Beth Jacob - she must find a living heritage, not tradition detached from reality."

The rabbi explains how this is accomplished: "Our ancestors, the great men and women in our history, are the only worthwhile models for our education. Their lives must permeate our classes and our halls. Our foremost interest is to teach not only Jewish theory but, rather, application of theory to Jewish life."

The school's curriculum, aside from religious studies, is based on guidelines set out by the Ministry of Education. Students, are encouraged however, to develop themselves to the fullest and take more than just the required number of subjects.

Courses are geared to the individual's particular needs. Those with special problems are integrated into remedial programs, where they receive individual attention.

Beth Jacob motivates its students to lead a "total Jewish life" through a diversified religious program. In the classroom, teachers use seminars, lectures and encourage individual research to teach Torah. In order to put the tenets of Judaism into practice, students produce plays which actualize the material. Outside the classroom, virtually all students take part in charitable action — for example, visits to the sick and aged, organizing activities for youth, helping mothers who cannot afford necessary child care.

Beth Jacob also serves as a teacher's college from which 17 graduated last year. The majority of graduates, says Stefansky, go into teaching; a few pursue alternate disciplines.

The rabbi sees teaching as integral to the survival of the Jewish people. "This is the greatest service you can render to the Jewish community -- to impart our heritage to the next generation; to motivate, to inspire students to live a total Jewish life.

What about all the other professions which provide us with life-giving functions? The rabbi admits their importance, but holds firm:

"If you need an operation, any doctor will do. A house designed by a Jewish architect will serve you no better than one designed by a non-Jew. Your shoes won't fit better if you have them fixed by a Jewish shoemaker. But a child won't be inspired unless she is taught by a committed Jew. Teaching is not the most lucrative endeavor. It's the most magnanimous."

The raison d'etre of the school is to "perserve the indentity of the Jewish people, to instil in students a commitment to their religion and a pride in practicing its values in their own homes when they establish them."

WZO educator advocates more teacher training

By DANIEL ACKS

TORONTO —
There is a tremendous need for Jewish education manpower to combat the growing crisis of assimilation confronting our youth, said Moshe Kroneh, head of the Torah culture and education department of the World Zionist Organization in a recent interview with The CJN.

"There is a lack of adequate effort in Israel in training teachers for Hebrew and Judaic studies. We need high quality staff to meet the Diaspora's educational demands," said Kroneh.

Kroneh, visiting Toronto and other North American Jewish centres as part of an annual inspection tour of the Diaspora's educational progress, warned that "we are losing thousands of children by assimilation," particularly in the smaller Jewish communities where there is no formal educational program.

"There is an urgent need," he continued, "to promote Hebrew-Judaic studies in the public school system, particularly the high schools."

Kroneh told The CJN that because of the great variance in Jewish education between towns and schools, it is "impossible to make a unified curriculum, in contrast to secular education which is standardized under government auspices."

He expressed the need for a "cohesive master program" in Jewish education for the Diaspora, but because of financial limitations such a program is not immediately feasible.

Israel already supplements the high cost of exporting 60 shlichim to the Canadian Diaspora, he noted.

"I assume that local Jewish communities are primarily responsible for the administration of a Judaic curriculum in their area. What we can do in Israel," continued Kroneh, "is to inject some influence but we can't replace local leadership. There are regions however, even in North America, where we have to intercede due to the lack of local responsibility or motivation."

Kroneh emphasized that encouraging and sponsoring young people to engage in serious study in Israel remains his department's primary educational activity.

He said the Institute for Curriculum in Israel, led by Prof. Eliazar Stern, and involving teachers and professors with experience in the Diaspora, has been working for two years to upgrade and produce Judaic textbooks for the Diaspora.

"It is vital," said Kroneh, "that we assume a more active role in contributing to a more meaningful Jewish education through the day school system in Canada and the United States."

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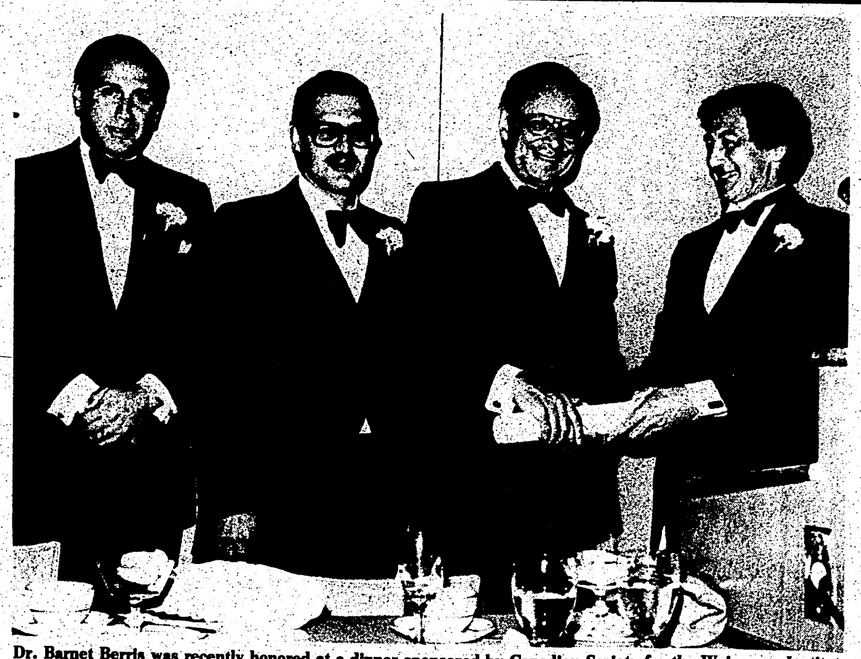

Dr. Barnet Berris was recently honored at a dinner sponsored by Canadian Society for the Weizmann Institute. Pictured from left: Irving Gerstein, Martin Unger, Dr. Berris and James F. Kay.

Weizmann fete honors Berris with chair in cancer research

TORONTO — More than 500 friends and colleagues paid tribute to Dr. Barnet Berris at the Weizmann Institute of Science testimonial dinner last week at the Beth Tzedec.

Contributions for the Dr. Barnet Berris Chair in cancer research at the Weizmann Institute in Israel were said to have exceeded original target figures.

A former chief-of-medicine at Mount Sinai Hospital, Berris was credited as one of those responsible for making Mount Sinai a teaching hospital. "Dr. Berris played a key role in this achievement through his personal qualities of leadership and scholarship," remarked Dr. Charles H. Hollenberg, dinner chairman.

Affirming Berris' communal contributions, Irving Gerstein, chairman of the board of trustees at Mount Sinai, stated: "No one has given more to his patients, his friends, his students — or to the cause of research and the Mount Sinai Hospital — than Dr. Barnet Berris."

According to Murray Koffler, chairman of the board of the Canadian Society for Weizmann, the new chair in cancer research is the 10th major project undertaken by Canadians since the Canadian society was established 13 years ago.

A multi-media presentation introduced by Koffler reviewed the history of the institute and its work. Among Canadian projects noted were the Lester B. Pearson chair in protein research; the Sam and Ayala Zacks chair in geophysics; the John Roberts chair in cancer research; the Dobrin Centre for nutrition research; the Paul Godfrey foundation in children's diseases; and the Koffler accelerator of the Canadian Centre for Nuclear Physics.

In extending the scroll of appreciation to Berris, James F. Kay, president of the Canadian society, invited all guests "to come to Rehovot when the Berris chair will be officially dedicated."

About 35% of Weizmann's budget and half of the total staff of 1,500 researchers, engineers and scientists-in-training are involved in the study of cancer — its causes, detection, prevention and therapy. No less than nine departments have major research projects in genetics, cellular biology and immunology.

Among those participating in the testimonial dinner program were: Dr. Martin G. Unger, chairman of the Toronto medical committee; David Buckstein, associate chairman; Dr. Irving H. Koven, chairman of the steeering committee; H. Thomas Beck, chairman of the Toronto chapter of the Canadian society.

Endowment fund seminar called for professionals

Update 80, the third annual seminar sponsored by the United Jewish Welfare Fund Endowment Fund professional advisory committee, will be held on Wednesday, June 4 at Beth Tzedec Synagogue, starting at 9 a.m. The seminar is held each year for accountants, lawyers and life insurance underwriters.

Highlighting this year's program will be a special after-lunch session which will deal with estate planning considerations for Canadians with holdings in the United States. Sanford Goldberg, of the U.S., will be the featured speaker for this session which will focus on owners of condominiums and other real estate, shares and businesses.

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Hamilton claims top Jewish student enrolment, 95% obtain education

By MOURA WOLPERT

HAMILTON — With approximately 95% of all eligible students receiving some form of Jewish education, the Hamilton Jewish community has one of the highest per capita enrolments in North America.

About 525 children in this community of close to 1,500 Jewish families — including Dundas and Burlington — are enrolled in the city's three Jewish schools.

The Hamilton Hebrew Academy, a day school founded 17 years ago by Rabbi Morton Green of Adas Israel Synagogue and under the direction of Rabbi Zeev Eisenstein for the past seven years, has an enrolment of about 225 pupils from pre-school to grade 8. Some of its graduates go on to yeshivot in Toronto but the majority integrate into the local high school system and do extremely well, according to Eisenstein.

The Conservative Beth Jacob religious school, with two weekday afternoon and Sunday morning classes, has 110 students in its elementary and another 35 to 40 in the high school program. Principal Gloria Silverman stresses learning by experience and her philosophy, she explains, is "the more involved kids are in learning, the more lasting the effect." A project about to be launched is an oral history program involving seniors in the community, giving students the opportunity to learn about more recent Jewish history at first hand.

One hundred and sixty students, from kindergarten to grade 10 confirmation class, are enrolled in the Reform Temple Anshe Sholom's Sunday morning religious school and about 60 of these attend the two-afternoons-a-week Hebrew classes. Here, a Shabbaton program based on the Reform movement has been developed for the senior students and there are joint programs with schools in other cities. "The curriculum constantly changes to keep pace," says principal Cantor Samuel Berman, "and we encourage more participation and more observance."

Money is the crucial problem and a 1976 study of Hamilton's education system, undertaken by Dr. George Pollack, director of the department of community studies which at the time threatened to split this community wide apart, recommended an across-the-board subsidy of 30% of each school's validated budget.

The basic approach at the time, says Hamilton Jewish Federation executive director Samuel Soifer, was that the (welfare fund) campaign would be increased, but this did not happen.

Subsequent adoption of the Pollak report's recommendation and a revamping of allocations "relating the budget to the total fund raising reality," has resulted in a climate of relative calm and co-operation to the point where HJF president Norman Bennett, who, as a former chairman of the budget committee "fought long and hard that the educational dollar did not dwindle," is moved to say with some pride that "Hamilton is far advanced in Jewish education."

In 1979 Dr. David Magder was appointed chairman of the Council on Jewish Education, taking it as his responsibility to deal with educational matters as well as financial concerns. "My aim," says Dr. Magder, "is to raise the overall profile (of education) in the community, to bring it into focus as a major Jewish activity."

He is hoping for more parent involvement, not only with administrative and financial problems, but with what actually takes place in the classroom.

His personal concern is that Ontario lags far behind other provinces in support for Jewish days schools — "a crucial problem in smaller communities such as Hamilton — and he feels more central leadership may be required in order to bring about a change.

With current costs increasing "to the point where federation leadership felt that 30% of the validated budgets would raise the education share of the contributed dollar to an untenable level," Soifer indicated that the schools are being encouraged to increase their incomes from other sources as far as possible and to cut costs wherver possible.

One way to cut costs would be some sort of amalgamation of the two afternoon schools, a move that has been under discussion for some time and which is wholeheartedly supported by Bennett.

Both schools now have teaching staffs of "extremely high calibre — but will we be able to afford them in the future?" he asks.

But even if things are not moving as fast as he would like, the general outlook, says Bennett, "looks good for the future."

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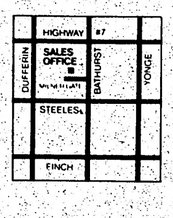

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Now, if you'd like to find out more about the new law involving minor offences, pamphlets are available free at supermarkets and provincial court offices. Or write to: Provincial Offences Information, Queen's Park, Toronto.

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Returning Canadian medics from Hong Kong report on conditions of refugee camps, clinics

By BEVERLEY STERN

TORONTO — Lauding the Boat People as an "admirable people -- the kind of citizens Canada needs," a group of Torontonians who went on a medical airlift to Hong Kong last August reported recently to The Canadian Jewish News on its six-week stay in refugee camps for fleeing Vietnamese.

Mount Sinai Doctors Gerry Edelist and Howard Ovens described their experiences as "unforgettable," "rewarding" and "the highlight of our lives."

In glowing words they painted a picture of a beleaguered people who had somehow surmounted their misfortunes with personal qualities of courage, dignity and resourcefulness.

"At all times," said Ovens, 25, "they were gracious and patient. Their appreciation for all that we were doing made it difficult for me to leave them at the end of the day – and even harder to come home."

So inspired was Ovens that he said he is now considering practicing medicine in Third World countries which suffer from a dearth of trained medical personnel.

On Aug. 21 last year the first group of 14 doctors and nurses – many of whom were from the Mount Sinai Hospital – flew from Trenton military airport directly to Hong Kong on a Department of National Defence Boeing 707.

They were accompanied by Leo Heaps, chief coordinator for the International Rescue Committee through which Heaps initiated the idea of a volunteer Canadian medical airlift -- as well as two Vietnamese serving as interpreters and medical personnel - (one was among the first Chinese to flee Vietnam).

About $250,000 was raised in medical and pharmaceutical supplies, mostly under the energetic direction of a businessman, Harry Sutton, who Heaps calls the "unsung hero of the trip."

Heaps who later made a report to the United Nations on the state of the camps, said it was the Canadians who took over and organized the major refugee medical clinic in Hong Kong called Kai Tak.

Dr. Ovens related that, at best, onsite medical care was very "rudimentary" upon the group's arrival. One exhausted refugee physician working with a team of volunteers administered to about 23,000 people at the Kai Tak site, he said.

Describing Kai Tak as a camp of aluminum huts covering three or four acres, Ovens said the Vietnamese slept two adults and about three or four children on triple-tiered plywood bunks. The bunks encompassed the total living space for eating, sleeping and storing possessions.

The Canadian team also set up another clinic at Tuen Mun where refugees lived in a single factory building rented by the UN which housed 15,000 people and was equipped with only a single elevator. Ovens said that ventilation, washroom facilities and facilities generally were "horrendous" there.

Edelist, who went with his wife, Mount Sinai nurse Faye Edelist, reported that most of the sicknesses were related to overcrowding and sanitation and affected mainly children and older people. He said he was surprised that physical health had not deteriorated more under such adverse conditions.

"Many of the young and middle-aged Vietnamese could go out in the community during the day and work in the factories in Hong Kong," he said. He explained that the extra income allowed the refugees to purchase enough food to ward off malnutrition.

According to Edelist, skin diseases formed the major problems and afflicted children primarily. Most children suffered from scabies, lice and impetigo - a bacterial skin condition in the young which is aggravated by scratching and prickly heat.

Ovens commented that "it was not unusual to puncture 10 or 15 boils on the heads of infants." He said that grandparents or older children, some not more than about 10 years of age, held the infants in their arms and tried to soothe them during the painful process of incision.

"A variety of other medical disorders including infections, diarrhea, pneumonia, measles, mumps, TB and malaria also prevailed but not in any major way," they said.

In what he described as a hair-raising experience, Ovens told of two rushed, emergency deliveries – one in which he delivered on a plywood bunk and the other on the floor of his office.

The average day began for the Canadians with a bus drive either to Kai Tak or Tuen Mun. The latter trip took 1½ hour usually in over 90-degrees heat. Upon arrival at the clinics they found long lineups from 40 to 200 people – depending on which clinic was served – had already formed. Both Ovens and Edelist said they saw about 50 to 75 people a day.

Living in what they termed "comfortable accommodations" in a former British civil servants' complex in Kowloon in the heart of the business district, Edelist and Ovens said the group spent much of their free time touring.

As volunteers, each person in the group got a UN honorarium of $15 U.S. per day to live on -- more than adequate for their expenses, according to the team. Out-of-pocket expenses amounted to about $300 for connecting flights.

Following the first medical airlift from Canada, there were rotating trips every six weeks until last March, most of them originating from Toronto. In all, about 40 Canadians participated.

Heaps, in summing up the project, said that Red Cross and UN officials praised the Toronto operation highly.

[Tom Burstyn photo]

Mount Sinai nurse, Mary Stone, treats two Vietnamese children. Mrs. Stone and her husband, Dr. Robert Stone, the hospital's chief surgeon, were on the first Canadian airlift to Hong Kong refugee camps.

Stroke victims regain skills in Wagman Centre's program

TORONTO — Regaining social skills after a stroke doesn't have to be a lonely struggle. The new stroke — social and activity program at the Joseph E. and Minnie Wagman Centre, rests on that philosophy.

Designed specially for people who have suffered strokes, the program offers planned physical exercise in an informal group setting where socializing is encouraged.

Linda Kremer, a physical and occupational therapist who is director of physical and health maintenance at the Wagman Centre, supervises the program. "Our approach is social, rather than medical," Ms. Kremer says. She points out that the program has been endorsed and publicized by the Stroke Recovery Association.

The program is held Thursday afternoons from 2.30 to 4 p.m. or for those who can come earlier, there is a special swimming pool program at the Wagman Centre from 1.15 to 2.15 p.m. on the same day. Participants must bring along someone who will be their "buddy" in the water and the change room.

After the pool hour, the stroke — social and activity program begins with an hour and a half of planned physical exercise and social contact. Participants can enjoy coffee and conversation, quiet board games such as chess and checkers, or use the Wagman Centre greenhouse for personal green-thumb projects.

"Other facilities at the Wagman Centre, such as the music room, can be made available if participants wish," Kremer adds.

Complete information about the program is available from the office of Linda Kremer, at 789-5131, local 413.

CJF reps chosen

NEW YORK — Fifteen Torontonians have been selected to represent the Toronto Jewish Congress as 1980 year round delegates to the Council of Jewish Federations. The delegate structure is a representative body of approximately 700 lay readers acting as the functional link between council and the communities it serves.

The system was developed to augment council's effectiveness as the central consultative resource for local federations in all major service areas. The delegates will serve as local CJF representatives, communicating and interpreting council policy and programs and bringing the concerns of federation leadership directly into council decision-making and operation.

The Toronto-area year round delegates are R. Appleby, Gay Berger, Dr. Arnold A. Epstein, Madeleine Epstein, Phil Granovsky, Judy Gwartz, Pearl Langer, Martin Mendelow, Adrienne Offman, Wilfred Posluns, Jack M. Rose, Jack Rotsztain, Les Scheininger, Rose Wolfe and Penny Offman.

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Study of the history and culture of Canadian Jewry to be the subject of annual academics conference

By JANICE ARNOLD

MONTREAL — A major conference on Canadian Jewish studies will take place at the Universite du Quebec a Montreal, June 3-4, during the meeting of the Learned Societies of Canada.

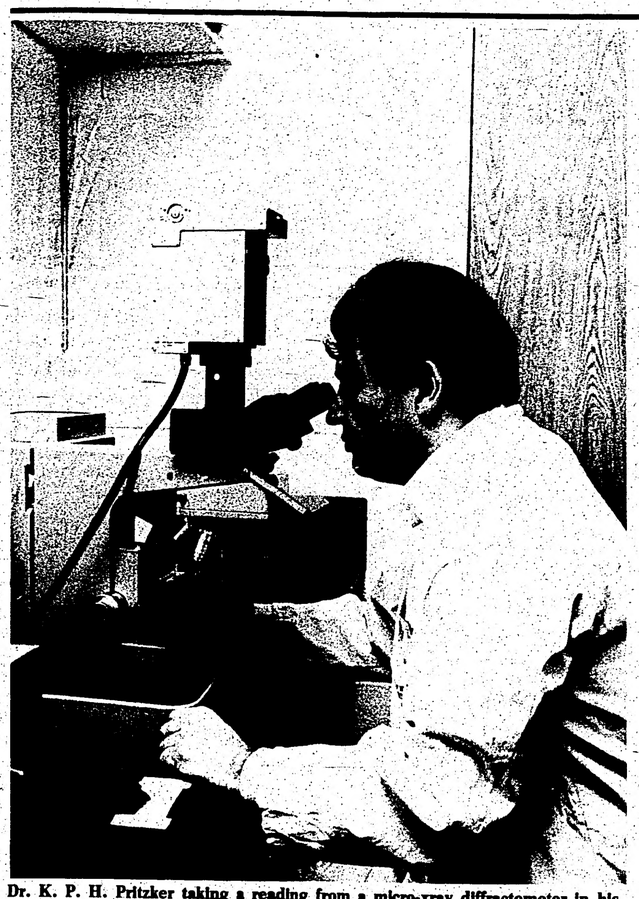
Some 40 academicians from Quebec, Ontario and the United States are scheduled to present papers at the conference which is being organized by the Institute for Academic and Communal Jewish Studies. It is intended that the conference will become an annual event.

The institute, which is supported by the Concordia University the Quebec government and some Jewish community organizations, was incorporated last year. Its mandate is to co-ordinate Jewish studies programs at Canadian universities and to encourage and assist research in Jewish studies, particularly that of the history and culture of Canadian Jewry.

Prof. Alti Rodal is executive director of the institute, whose office is located in a Concordia building on Mackay St.

Among those participating will be Quebec cultural affairs minister Denis Vaugeois, who will present a paper on Abraham de Sola at the session on Canadian Jewish history; former NDP leader David Lewis, who will chair a panel discussion on "The Role of Jews in Quebec Labor History; Naim Kattan who will chair the session of Jewish literature; and Irwin Cotler, who will speak on "The Impact of Quebec Politics on Jewish Organizations."

Other sessions will deal with classical and modern Hebrew literature, Jewish community studies, Judaism and psychology, sociology of Canadian Jewry and Jewish Messianism.



Dr. K. P. H. Pritzker taking a reading from a micro-xray diffractometer in his research on degenerative arthritis at Mount Sinai Hospital.

Mount Sinai dedicates Harold Tanenbaum labs

TORONTO — Mount Sinai Hospital has officially dedicated its Harold Tanenbaum department of research, funded through a $1 million endowment gift from the late Harold Tanenbaum.

The new facilities will help the Mount Sinai, in its 56th year, maintain its three-fold duty, said Irving Gerstein, hospital chariman: to provide first-rate patient care, medical training and research facilities.

"With all three roles integrated in the medical research centre, we can continue to attract top physicians," Gerstein said.

"We thank Harold Tanenbaum for leaving funds in his estate to the hospital. His name will live on forever."

Tanenbaum died of cancer in April, 1978. He was 47 years of age.

One of Mount Sinai's research specialties is immunology, a field directly connected to cancer research.

Gerald Turner, the hospital's executive director, pointed out the significance of the Tanenbaum gift.

"People mistakenly assume that governments are the major funders of medical research," he said.

"But, the fact is that notwithstanding the grants received from government agencies, by far the largest part of the funding for research must come from the private sector. That's why the Harold Tanenbaum endowment gift is so important. It will result in benefits not only to our own community but to all communities."

Sidney Liswood, president of the Mount Sinai Institute, expressed the hope that the Tanenbaum gift would serve "as a catalyst to others."

According to Dr Sidney Tobin, chairman of the hospital's research advisory committee, the Mount Sinai is currently involved in research in the fields of cartilage and bone transplants, foetal monitoring, obesity, auditory problems, muscular disease, hepatitis, thyroid functions, cancer, endocrinology, psychotherapy and psychosomatic illness.

Mount Sinai researchers have several triumphs under their belt.

The efforts of Dr. Paul Walfish, director of the thyroid research department and associate professor of medicine at the University of Toronto, culminated in a province-wide screening program for the early detection of hypothyroidism in newborn infants. This is expected to reduce the incidence of mental retardation associated with this condition.

A nationwide survey conducted by the American Hospital Association, listed the knee transplantation operation among the 10 most important recent advances in medicine. This operation was developed by Dr. Allan Gross, chief of surgery, Mount Sinai Hospital, and associate professor at U of T's faculty of medicine.

To promote scientific interchange, Mount Sinai Hospital and the Canadian Society for the Weizmann Institute of Science have recently established the Michael Sela exchange program to permit investigators working in the field of immunology to visit between the Weizmann Institute of Science in Rehovot, Israel and Mount Sinai Hospital. Similarly, the Joseph J. Schiffer exchange program in oncology permits physicians working in oncology (cancer), to visit between health science centres in Israel and Toronto.

Drop in exodus from Soviet Union

WASHINGTON [JTA] — Although 51,320 Jews left the USSR in 1979, a close analysis of the statistics and trends demonstrate that an evolving counter-trend is also taking form.

In a report, "Jewish Emigration Trends from the USSR in 1979," released by the Soviet Jewry Research Bureau (SJRB) of the National Conference on Soviet Jewry at the organization's annual policy conference here, some time in the summer of 1979 a decision to cut down the rate of emigration was made in the highest Soviet circles.

Until the latter part of 1979, the exodus of Soviet Jews numbered approximately 4,000 per month, the SJRB noted. However, the latter part of the year saw a steady decrease in the number of people actually leaving.

Charlotte Jacobson, chairperson of the SJRB, said: "The number of visas issued by the Dutch embassy in Moscow, representing Israel in the USSR, decreased by November and December to 3,600 and 3,300, respectively. This sharp drop was later felt in Vienna with approximately 2,800 arrivals in January and 3,000 in February, representing a significant drop from the 1979 average."

SJRB director Elie Valk, concluded that new restrictions, set in motion before the invasion of Afghanistan, have caused the fall-off. "While we cannot ignore the impact on emigration of the present international climate," said Valk, "the cutback should not be seen as a Soviet reaction to U.S. measures undertaken after the Afghanistan invasion."

The restrictive measures reflect the widescale use of a new requirement for the issuance of an exit visa.

Jewish teachers to meet

TORONTO — The Jewish Educators Assembly, comprising 350 principals and consultants affiliated with the United Synagogue of America, will hold its executive board meeting in Toronto on Sunday and Monday, May 25, 26.

Dr. Irving H. Skolnik, president of the assembly, has announced that this will be the first of a series of meetings to be held in various parts of North America, "designed to bring the message of Jewish education to the local affiliates."

A highlight of the procedures will be an open public meeting, co-sponsored by the local region of the assembly and the Ontario region, United Synagogue of America on Sunday at 8p.m., at Beth Tzedec. Guest speaker Rabbi Irwin E. Witty, executive director of the Board of Jewish Education, will present an address on "Jewish Education in Canada -- Review and Preview."

During their stay, the educators will visit schools to learn first-hand of the innovations and special educational facilities of the Jewish schools in Toronto.

Honor doctor

BOSTON — Dr. Howard Green, a native of Toronto, was recently presented the Lewis S. Rosentiel award for distinguished work in basic medical research by Brandeis University.

A son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Ben Green of Peterborough, Ont., Dr. Green attended the University of Toronto, where he received his M.D. degree. He earned an M.S. in Physiology at Northwestern University, Chicago.

Green was cited along with Dr. Beatrice Mintz for "outstanding research leading to new understanding of the processes involved in differentiation, i.e., in the progression of events during which a single cell develops into an adult animal."

The Brandeis award is the latest of numerous other awards and honors conferred on Dr. Green in the past decade. He has held several educational and scientific positions and is currently professor of cell biology, Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

[Ben Lechtman photo]

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A student's display at Eitz Chaim school, on Viewmount, depicts the highlights of Shavuot. Putting on the finishing touches are from left: Bayla Gabay and Rachel Levy, in Grade 3, and Dina Grubner and Pircha Abramov, in Grade 5.

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Arts

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Israel Consul David Ariel and Mrs. Ariel meet with artist Aharon Bezalel [right] during his Toronto exhibition.

Jerusalem sculptor, Bezalel, opens new show in Toronto

art

By MARSHA ROVAN

Israel sculptor Aharon Bezalel claims to have always been involved with sculpture, both as a student and teacher, and as his full time occupation since 1962.

Born in Afghanistan in 1926, he immigrated to Israel as a boy, and now lives and works in Jerusalem.

He has exhibited his work in solo shows throughout Israel and internationally in Boston, Chicago and Paris. Both his name and his work are no strangers to Toronto where the response to his current exhibition at Prince Arthur Galleries proves he has a strong following of admirers.

His sculptures are small in scale, ranging from some that could rest on the palm of the hand to those that stand about two feet high.

They are constructed of either bronze, brass, aluminum or wood. The forms are highly stylized abstractions of people, animals, land and cityscapes. The artists's viewpoint is evident in their very structure, by his choice of materials, themes, and through the feelings they evoke.

His work deals primarily with forms fitting together — interlocking, interchangeable — that work together both as a whole and when taken apart. They invite the viewer to participate in an unraveling dialogue of discovery and play.

The forms have strength in ther flowing simplicity and project a straightforward image with no cryptic messages to unveil. Bezalel has injected them all with a sensual warmth, often humorous and playful, sometimes provocative. Each tells its own story. "Bedouin Caravan," executed in bronze, is a two-part piece that evokes memory of the desert horizon. "Running Horses Chariot" in brass is a three-part piece of special charm.

His recent fascination with wood as a medium perhaps best illustrates the artist's humanistic approach. Bezalel delights in finding aged pieces of wood whose lack of slick finish prevents distraction from the ideas he works to express. Respectfully, he carves into the wood, neither taking away nor adding to the original block, and then works to reveal the contest between the hard exterior and the life within.

He relates the feelings of his work in wood to that of the often alienating experience of big city existence. He sees the lost person inside the mass of modern buildings and finds the same contrasts of hard and soft in the desert, as well.

Artists like Picasso and Jean Arp both explored sculpture of interlocking forms, taken to majestic heights. Bazalel's sculptures, more warm and intimate than innovatively brave, succeed in evoking images of Israel — the sharp contrasts, the people and the land. They draw the viewer into playful participation.

The show continues through May 24 at Prince Arthur Galleries, 33 Prince Arthur Ave.

'Images' sets a milestone

dance

By RICK KARDONNE

TORONTO —

A milestone in Canada-Israel cultural relations was achieved May 8-10 with the North American premiere of Rena Gluck's choreographic masterpiece **Images** by the Toronto Dance Theatre.

Premiered by the Batsheva Dance Company in January, his work, set to Oedeon Partos' exciting IPO-commissioned symphonic work of the same name, is a dynamic first-rate piece of definable dramatic sequence which has a strong universal appeal.

At the risk of extrapolating a meaning totally different from Ms. Gluck's intent, I invision Images as being an insightful contrast of the reactions of two knowledgeable women: one older and more experienced (expertly and confidently portrayed by Patricia Beatty), the other younger but worldly (exuberantly but accurately portrayed by Karen Duplisea) about love games and intrigues. Both the external relationships, whether they be casual or more momentarily serious, and the internal subtle doubts, torments and private ecstasies are superbly expressed by Gluck's uniquely authentic choreographic techniques.

Four male dancers (Charles Flanders, Mitch Kirsch, Robert Desrosiers and Christopher House) portray the different male encounters.

The movements are perfectly synchronized with Partos' music, which blends contemporary dramatic innovation within a Stravinsky-type framework.

At the final climax, after Duplisea at last decides upon her lover, Beatty, following a moment of final hesitation due to her far greater (inevitably disillusioning) experience, there duly follows — tying the love-knot once more.

Rena Gluck's husband is Toronto Symphony concertmaster Moshe Murvitz. Upon arriving with him here, she was so impressed with the TDT that she taught this piece to the company as the first gesture towards a future exchange of the Batsheva Company and the Toronto Dance Theatre. I strongly urge the CZF and the Canada-Israel Cultural Foundation to encourage this exchange. And I would very much like to see Images restaged by the same cast at the Leah Posluns Theatre this coming fall so that Toronto's Jewish population en masse can turn out to enjoy Israeli modern dance which ranks among the most innovative in the world today.

Also premiered this same week (by the National Ballet School) was Dutch National Ballet director Rudi von Dantzig's work set to Richard Strauss' **Four Last Songs.** Von Dantzig has exerted a considerable influence on Israel's modern dance scene, although I doubt that this particular work would be performed in Israel due to Strauss' Nazi associations.

Von Dantzig's choreography and the performance by the National Ballet students far overshadowed the impact of the Strauss songs dealing with confrontation with death.

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ITCHE ROTH 1909-1980: I am extremely saddened to announce the passing of one of North America's most authentic and scholarly Yiddish actors and monologuists: Toronto's Itche Roth, who died recently of a stroke.

He performed with all of the greats of the golden age of North America Yiddish theatre, from Maurice Schwartz to the Adlers to practically everybody else who starred in the old Standard Theatre on Spadina-Dundas.

Jews of Georgian England subject of fascinating volume

books

By SHELDON KIRSHNER

The Jews of Georgian England
By Todd Endelman
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Georgian England was a society in transition, and for its small, generally poor Jewish community it was a time of passage from tradition to modernity. Todd Endelman, a professor of history and Jewish studies at Indiana University, traces this gradual metamorphosis with felicity and thereby contributes much to our understanding of the period spanning 1714 to 1830.

Endelman paints a full-bodied picture of the community, analyzing its position within the context of a changing Britain. It is a fascinating story and he should be commended for having brought it off so well.

By 1830, Britain was home to some 17,000 Jews, 2,000 of whom were Sephardic. The great bulk of Georgian Jews were desperately poor, and anglo Jewry as a whole was not to lose its working class character until well into the Victorian era.

London Jewry — the focus of Endelman's scrutiny — was strongly associated with the street trade, being peddlars of oranges, lemons, costume jewelry, sponges, old clothes, lead pencils, sealing wax and cheap watches ("Jew watches"). As education — one of the potential escape routes from poverty — was expensive, parents put their children to work at an early age.

Because social mobility was in general denied to them, Jews drifted into crime. According to Endelman, a "very visible" portion of the community was engaged in petty criminal aetivity, embarrassing middle class and wealthy Jews. The author speculates that the protective, tight-knit Jewish family unit, the prime instrument of socialization among middle class Jews, was absent in lower class London Jewish life.

Although Jews were not the object of specific anti-Jewish laws, they were definitely second-class citizens, in Endelman's estimation. They could not vote, sit in the House of Commons, hold municipal office, take a degree at Oxford or Cambridge or operate a retail business in the city centre.

Nevertheless, Jews, until about 1815, did not fight to abolish these disabilities. The first three or four generation of Jews after the 1655 Resettlement, regardless of their level of acculturation, did not perceive themselves as being part of the English nation, and they eschewed politics. Ironically, some of the most active proponents of Jewish rights were Evangelical Christians who sought to convert Jews.

For many Jews, emancipation was not crucial to their economic well-being the way it was in Germany, France and Italy. And a very small minority of Jews from the Orthodox branch feared that emancipation would undermine traditional Jewish life.

Jews, Endelman says, began to fight for their rights in earnest when they felt it was possible to live in Britain as citizens without having to relinquish their religion.

Missionary work among Jews usually reached the poorest elements of the community, but middle class Jews opted for conversion as well. Apostasy became an option for those who couldn't bear even the smallest measure of exclusion from gentile circles.

Prior to the Victorian period, unconverted Jews were not welcomed as intimate members of fashionable society, though they were allowed to participate in an expanding number of religiously neutral charities, scientific bodies, reform associations and literary circles. One Jew who chose conversion was Sir Francis Palgrave, whose previous name was Cohen. Palgrave became the first archivist of the Public Record Office and a famous explorer of Arabia.

Endelman offers several reasons for the relative tolerance that prevailed in Georgian England.

In Britain, the enemies of modernity never possessed the social and political power they enjoyed in Central and Eastern Europe, and thus the incidence of anti-semitism was reduced. The commercialization of Britain was paralleled by a liberal non-interventionist theory of government that was important in creating favorable conditions for Jewish settlement. And the comparative absence of anti-Jewish agitation was also a function of the worldly character of the Church of England.

All in all, then, Jews in Georgian England did not suffer grievously as Jews, as was the case in other countries. But they were hampered by legal disabilities, which would only disappear in the mid-19th century.

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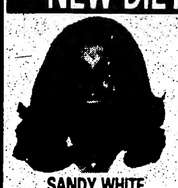

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As for babies and toddlers, a free daily laundry service is provided for children up to seven years. A baby-sitting service, cribs, a large selection of baby foods, disposable diapers and refrigerators on request are all available.

And, under the Hilton family plan, children sharing their parents' room stay free of charge.

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A chemical lab was recently dedicated in memory of Leon Fleischer by his parents, at Hebrew University. Leon's aunt and uncle, Mr. and Mrs. Curt Fleischer [above], attended ceremonies in Jerusalem on behalf of Leon's parents, Willie and Mildred Fleischer.

First Jewish settler was ship's cook

Hawaii's Jewish community has a long and varied history

By MURRAY MALKIN

HONOLULU —

An estimated 5,000 Jews live in the 50th state of the United States of America---Hawaii — and of those about half are active in the local community, according to the senior rabbi at Temple Emanu-El, Julius J. Nodel.

The Canadian Jewish News met with the rabbi recently and Nodel reviewed what is happening--from a Jewish point of view---in these beautiful islands now and during the past 300 years.

Nodel has heavy duties here. His congregation has 380 families but his duties cover the entire state. "Besides all the usual duties, such as services, bar mitzvahs, weddings and funerals, I visit the sick, lecture at the university and at public schools," he said.

"There is a great deal of interest in Judaism and there are many inter-faith activities," he reported. In addition, many tourists seek out the rabbi's help.

Temple Emanu-El is Reform, affiliated with the Union of American Hebrew Congregations but Nodel said the shul conducts a traditional Saturday morning service every week.

While there is no specific Jewish residential area in Honolulu, Nodel said the community is still very close. He said the residents keep in touch with what's happening through the temple's weekly bulletin and through the monthly community newspaper, the Hawaii Jewish News.

"We have many young couples in our temple," Nodel said, "and there are 130 students at our school."

Because of the location of Hawaii--in the middle of nowhere--there is a great deal of interracial marriage, according to Nodel.

For its size, Honolulu has probably one of the most active Jewish communities in America. Nodel is proud that there is a very strong B'nai B'rith and Hadassah and also that last year $400,000 was raised for the UJA.

According to Nodel, very few Jews in the state own their own businesses, but a number of them are in business as managers, accountants, buyers and salespeople. The majority of Jews are in the professions: engineering, law, medicine, university research, journalism, the arts, advertising, public relations and in the state and federal government.

Up until the 1970s there were very few Jews in the state and even though the first recorded history of a Jew on the island goes back to 1798 when a Jewish ship's cook landed here, the Jews' history here has been sporadic.

In the 19th century, a few Jewish merchants set up shop here for a short time, but after a half-dozen years they packed their bags and headed back to their native Germany.

In 1893 the Hawaiian monarchy was overthrown and that saw a small influx of Jews land here. "They worshipped in various meeting halls which were loaned to them for the special Holy Day occasions," Nodel noted. "They did not secure a minister and head of the community because during those years the rabbis who applied were usually ones unable to obtain positions in the United States and did not represent Jewish spiritual leadership to the best advantage."

At the turn of the century--1901--there were about 100 Jews living on the islands. In this group there were about 20 children. However, by the end of the World War 1 there were a number of well established Jewish businesses on Hawaii.

At that time, most of the knowledge that the children gained about Judaism came from Christian-run Sunday schools.

"The Honolulu Jewish community was formally organized in 1938," Nodel said. In 1948 the name Temple Emanu-El was formally adopted for the shul and its first rabbi was Francis Hevesi, a refugee and former chief rabbi of Budapest.

El Al closing six of its U.S. offices to lower increasing expenses

NEW YORK [JTA] —

El Al is closing its sales offices in six cities as part of the company's economic retrenchment movement, a company spokesman confirmed here. He said the cities will be served by regional offices which will have the areas they now serve expanded.

The offices in Pittsburgh and Baltimore are now in the process of being closed down, the spokesman said. He said in the near future the offices in Atlanta, Cleveland, Detroit and San Francisco will also be closed.

The spokesman said that each city will still have a "resident representative" who will be a salesperson working out of his or her home. This will cut down the overhead expense of maintaining an office.

The retrenchment is part of the program announced earlier this year by the El Al management in an effort to get the Israeli airline out of the red.

Catskill Mountains remain popular despite the draw of exotic resorts

By SHEILA DROPKIN

Despite the draw and increasing accessibility of exotic far-distant resorts, the Borsht Belt or Catskill Mountain region of New York remains popular with Americans and Canadians alike.

Made famous by the hundreds of headliners and show biz stars who got their start there, this region has an ambience, a flavor all its own which is unequalled anywhere else in the world.

Located about 100 miles north of New York City, the famed area occupies only about one-third of the mountain region whose name it bears; the remainder is magnificent countryside dotted with farms and private homes.

The "Belt" is known to New Yorkers simply as "The Mountains." It is a concentration of hotels and bungalow colonies/rooming houses whose initial guests were residents of the Greater New York City area who flocked there annually to get away from the congestion, heat and dirt of the city. As the facilities expanded, so did its attraction to people from all over the eastern seaboard. Improved highways and the construction of an airport in the central city of Monticello also helped.

While the hotels and rentals are largely, but not exclusively, peopled by Jews, the permanent residents of the numerous small towns and cities in the area represent all races and religions. Churches are as familiar a sight as are synagogues; since the late 1960s, the two largest groups of new residents have been Blacks and Orthodox Jews.

The three major attractions of the Catskill hotels are value, food and entertainment. Rates are all-inclusive, covering the room, three meals a day (some of the smaller hotels which cater to the older folk also serve tea and cookies in the late evening), entertainment and sports. At some of the hotels there are extra charges for golf, horseback riding and the night-club shows. Many of them advertise special weeks for golf, tennis, singles, specific holidays, etc., during which the rates are even more attractive.

The majority of the hotels offer kosher cuisine. The two largest and best known, Grossinger's and the Concord, do not permit smoking in the dining room on the Sabbath. Meals are gargantuan and are served on an all-you-can-eat basis. It's almost impossible to diet in the Catskill because there's too much food around and most of it is excellent. Some of the chefs, however, have bowed to "la nouvelle cuisine" and will prepare diet dishes if one insists.

Entertainment is unsurpassed, except for Los Vegas. Many of the hotels have companies-in-residence which entertain for the entire summer season, with special added attractions on the weekends. Others, such as those mentioned above and Kutsher's, Brown's, the Nevele, the Raleigh, Brickman and Granit highlight the greats and near-greats of Hollywood, Broadway and television almost every week.

In addition, most of the hotels are family oriented and offer lower rates for children, day camp facilities and special teen events and entertainments. With indoor and outdoor ice skating rinks, tennis courts and swimming pools, plus golf courses, card rooms, health clubs, gyms, fitness classes, etc. no guest could ever complain that "there's nothing to do." Moreover, Grossinger's daily "Simon Says" games and Kutsher's basketball classics have become traditions.

Getting to the Catskills is not at all difficult. One can drive there from Toronto in approximately nine hours, along the New York State Thruway from Buffalo. Those in a hurry can fly to either Kennedy or LaGuardia airports and connect with the Ransom Commuter Line for a short hop to Monticello. The Shortline Bus Company operates daily runs to the major cities and towns from New York City's Port Authority Terminal.

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The unveiling of a monument to the beloved memory of the late **Rose Freedman,** wife of Louis Freedman, mother of Harvey Freedman and Bea Sidlofsky will take place on Sunday, May 25, 1980, at 12:30 p.m. at Mount Sinai Memorial Park, 986 Wilson Ave. W., Farband Section. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. 22

The unveiling of a monument to the beloved memory of the late **Fanny Marcovitch** will take place on Sunday, May 25, 1980, 1:00 p.m., at Mount Sinai Cemetery, Beth Radom Section. Relatives and friends are invited to attend. 22

The unveiling of a monument to the memory of the late **Regina Elbaum** beloved Wife, Mother and Grandmother, will take place on Sunday, May 25, 1980, 11:00 a.m., Bathurst Lawn Cemetery, Tzosmerei Section. Relatives and friends of Elbaum-Nusbaum-Boyman families are invited. 22

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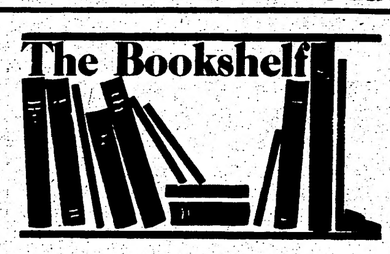

Israeli Women Speak Out
By Geraldinde Stern
McClelland and Stewart Ltd.
$13.95
Hardcover

Through the eyes of ten Israeli women of disparate ages and backgrounds, author Geraldine Stern of **Israeli Women Speak Out** reveals a sharp picture of the second-class status of women in Israeli society.

Author Stern has selected her subjects well. Dynamic, bright, articulate, each one has played an active role in Israeli society, but their frustration as women within a largely patriarchial society dominated by the religious mores of the Orthodox comes through over and over again.

Judith Buber Agassi, granddaughter of philosopher Martin Buber, who is now a sociologist and political scientist criticizes the conservative and even reactionary political attitude towards women which developed from the pre-state Yishuv into the present state.

Without a constitution, without basic laws of equality stating the rights of women — and more importantly, without any separation of state and religion — women in Israel are handicapped by old Halachic mores.

It is very clear that the norm in Israeli society remains strongly slanted towards marriage and motherhood.

Ms Stern speaks to Shulamit Aloni, who formed the Citizens' Rights Party, Marcia Freedman, American born feminist who started the feminist movement in Israel, Slyva Zalmonson from Russia, Senta Josephthal, a refugee from Germany and many others who show the true grit of Israeli women.

A judicious editing job would have kept this book a little more sharply in focus. Too diffused, the narrative is also cramped by unsuccessful efforts to personalize the story with chit-chat of the office klatch type. Not that there is anything so basically wrong with small talk, but in Ms Stern's book, it not only takes up too much space but also slows down the stories of these fascinating women.

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Halfway through the Door
An Actor's Journey toward the Self
By Alan Arkin
Fitzhenry & Whiteside
$9.25

Curiously, the more successful Alan Arkin, popular and talented film and stage actor, became, the more insecure he was. He was plagued by bouts of anxiety and rage which only disappeared when he indulged himself in alcohol, sex and marijuana. Psychiatric analysis, while freeing him of some destructive tendencies within himself and towards others, still didn't get at the source of anger that continually gnawed at him.

While a relatively unknown actor, Arkin could loose himself in his various roles. But when his name became a big drawing-card at the box office, he felt people were now coming to see Alan Arkin. He felt he could no longer hide. It was Alan Arkin, himself, that was now on stage — and he was afraid that the audience would not like what they saw.

Basically, Arkin didn't — or couldn't — like himself. Despite the material and social trappings of success, he still couldn't shake off old self-perceptions that were crippling him emotionally.

Six years ago, Arkin became very casually and incidentally involved in yoga, and more importantly, a guru who became a friend, mentor, father-figure and a model for the kind of person Arkin would like to become. The book does not seek to proselytize, says Arkin. It merely seeks to show how yoga and his guru helped him.

OBITUARIES

Berelescu, Bernard on May 5, 1980 late of 360 Ridelle Ave.
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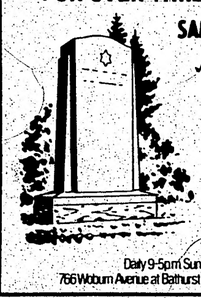

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By JOSEPH KLINGER

עובדתון: מכון קרן התרבות

יום העצמאות:

ביום ה' באייר, שנת חמשת אלפים שבע מאות ושמונה שנים לבריאת העולם 10 במאי 1948, הוקמה מדינת ישראל. בצהרי אותו יום התאספו בתל-אביב ראשי העם ו-מנהיגיו והכריזו באזני כל העולם על יסוד מדינת ישראל. אותו תאריך נקבע יום טוב חדש לדורות, והוא חג יום העצמאות. במשך אלף שמונה מאות שבעים ושמונה שנים נדדו היהודים בין הגויים, נרדפו באף ובחמה, באו עליהם שמדות וגזרות. הבטיחו להם מכל טוב הארץ - אם ימירו את דתם, יניחו להם - אם יעזבו את עמם ויתבוללו. אך היהודים בחרו למות ולא לבגוד בקדשי האומה, לעלות לגרדם ולא לתת ערף לאחיהם המעונים. ירושלים השלמה הולכת ומתרחבת, הולכת ונבנית ועל חומותיה מופקדים שומרים יהודים כל היום וכל הלילה, תמיד לא יחשו. היהודים זכו לחזור ולהיות ככל הגויים בית ישראל, עם ככל העמים בארצו ובנחלתו, על תורתו וחרבותו, על חרבו וכחו, על חילו ורוחו.

מה יש בחו"ל ואין בישראל?

מאת: אירית ברודידס, בת 12½ (נמצאת בסוורונטו, ההורים בשליחות)

המושג חו"ל משגע כל אחד: ה-שאיפה לראות את העולם, לטוס, ובכלל - להיות רחוקים קצת, ולבקר במקומות חדשים. מה מושך אותם לשם? זה באמת קצת נחמד לראות עולם. זהו החלום, שכל אחד חולם: להיות בחו"ל. אבל זה טוב ויפה, אם זה רק טיול. עכשיו, כשאני נמצאת בחו"ל, בסוורונטו, בקנדה הארץ היפהפיה, אני חושבת: מה יש לי פה שאין בארץ? בהתהלה, כשאמרו לי שאני אסע לחו"ל, "נדלקתי" לרעיון. מה משך אותי? לראות עולם, לטוס, לקנות את הבגדים היפים שיש בחו"ל, לעשות טיול, ללמוד את השפה. אך לגור בחו"ל, כלומר לחיות בחו"ל, לא מושך אותי, אני רוצה להיות ישראלית ולחיות בישראל. ארץ השייכת אך ורק ליהודים. בחודש הראשון, כשאתה בחו"ל אתה נהנה ומבלה ובכלל לא חושב על הדברים האחרים. אך אחר-כך אתה מרגיש בעגועים לארץ, למשפחה, למולדת. דבר אחד חשוב לדעת: זה לא דבר גדול להיות בחו"ל. יותר טוב בארץ - אין ארץ יותר טובה מישראל!

בני עקיבא בסוורונטו:

מאת: שלמה רומי, שליח בני עקיבא

התנועה בעיר מורכבת משלוש שכבות גיל. חבריא א' בני כתות 8 - 4 שלהם פעילות מידי שבת אחה"צ בבתי-הכנסת, בני-תורה, שערי-שמים וקלינטון פארק. חבריא ב' מכתה 9 ועד לסוף התיכון. מרכז פעילותם בשבתות אחה"צ בעונגי שבת ובמשך השבוע הוא "בבית" בוילסון 296. חבריא ב' הכוללים סטודנטים וזוגות צעי-רים שחלקם מדריך בתנועה את חבריא ב'. לתנועה מחנה קיץ ב-אניסמור הפועל בהודשי הקיץ יולי-אוסוגט. במחנה משלבים ה-ילדים פעילות חברתית ולימודית גם בשפה העברית באוירת בני-עקיבא. השנה יתוספו למחנה בריכת שחיה ומגרשי טניס. ל-תנועה בעיר דף קשר חודשי הנקרא "דפון" הנשלח להברים ועתון המבוך שאלות הגות ונושאים אי-דאולוגיים הנקרא "עתון בני-עקיבא". כמו כן מתקיים סמינר הדרכה למדריכים בו נלמדים נו-שאים חינוכיים ופדגוגים שונים להעלאת איכות המנהיגות וההדרכה בתנועה. לחברי חבריא א' מתק-ימים חוגים כל יום א' באולפנת "אורות".

הגניזה בקהיר:

נשיא מצרים נענה לבקשת הנשיא נבון לאפשר למלומדים ישראלים לחקור את הגניזה הקהירית המ-פורסמת. הגניזה שהכילה למעלה ממאתיים אלף מיסמכים ודפים ריקה עתה לחלוטין וכל אוצרות הגניזה הוצאו מחוכה בארגזים ובתיבות במשך תשעים השנים ה-אחרונות והם מפוזרים בספריות ובארכיונים בכל חלקי תבל. מצויים חוקרים אשר מאמינים כי בקהיר היתה יותר מגניזה אחת, ד"ר אלוני שביקר בקהיר בשנת תש"ז גבה עדויות המאשרות כי חלק ניכר מאוצרות הגניזה נמצא בבית-קברות יהודי המשתרע בדרום העיר העתיקה על גבול המדבר.

Carter makes appointments to new Holocaust Council

WASHINGTON[JTA] — President Carter has appointed a U.S. Holocaust Memorial Council to carry out the recommendations of his Commission on the Holocaust that had outlined a three-part memorial before it disbanded last October.

The council consists of 50 private citizens and 10 members of Congress -- five Senators and five Representatives.

The President appointed as its chairman author Elie Wiesel, one of 13 survivors of the Nazi death camps named to the council. Wiesel had also headed the Holocaust Commission.

The council's vice chairman is Mark Talisman, Washington director for the Council of Jewish Federations.

Rabbi Irving Greenberg of New York City, director of the National Jewish Resources Centre who was the Commission's executive director, had been retained by the President as a Council member. The Council's membership includes 25 non-Jews, including prominent Holocause specialists.

The commission's three-part memorial, the White House said in announcing the council, recommends a national Holocaust Memorial Museum to be erected in Washington, an educational foundation "dedicated to the pursuit of educational work through research and exploration of issues raised by the Holocaust for all areas of human knowledge and public policy," and a Committee on Conscience composed of distinguished American moral leaders which would receive reports of "actual or potential genocide anywhere in the world and alert the national conscience, influence policymakers, and stimulate worldwide action to bring such acts to a halt."

The White House said, "The President approved these recommendations with the understanding that funding proposals for the memorial should provide that construction costs would be raised primarily from private contributions."

French Jewish home "adopts" Vietnamese

PARIS[JTA] --

A group of 10 Vietnamese youngsters have been "adopted" by a French Jewish children's home which expects to take in more Vietnamese refugees. The first group, aged between 15 and 18, were brought to France by the Red Cross, and the Laversine Jewish Children's Home offered to take in several dozen Vietnamese refugees.

The home, which has been active in raising Jewish refugee children since the first days of World War II, has arranged special food, cultural activities and even visits to local Buddhist temples. Some of the teachers are themselves Vietnamese refugees hired for the special classes operated by the home.

According to one staff member, the Vietnamese children "get along very well with the Jewish staff and the other Jewish children."

Spanish PM, Suarez, meets PLO's Arafat

MADRID[JCNS] —

The Spanish prime minister, Adolfo Suarez, met the Palestine Liberation Organization leader Yasir Arafat recently in Riyad. In the evening, Arafat joined Suarez and Crown Prince Fahd at the state dinner.

Although no official communique was issued after the meetings, it is understood that Suarez again offered to act as mediator on the Palestinian question while assuring Arafat of Spain's continued support.

Suarez declared earlier that his government would not recognize Israel until a "just and lasting solution" had been found which would recognize the "legitimate aspirations of the Palestinian people to create their state in the territories occupied by Israel during the 1967 war, including Jerusalem."

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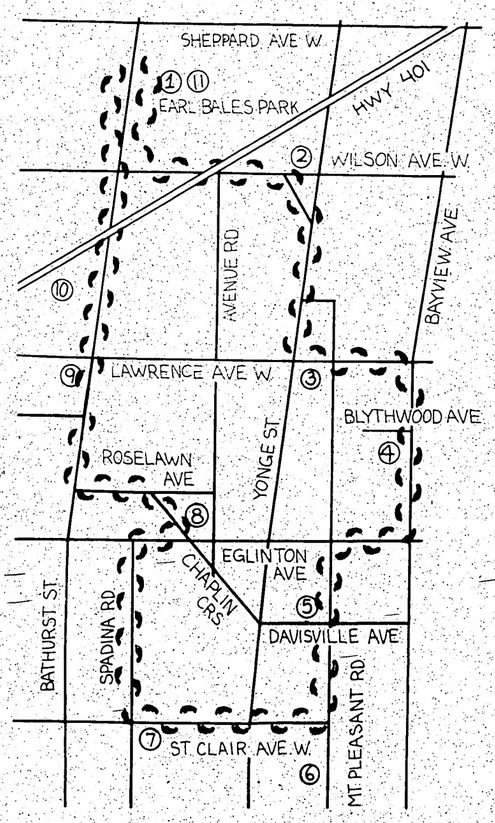

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